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POWERS' GRAVE PROBLEM.

Nanking Government's New Surtaxes.

A \$60,000,000 LOAN ON SALT.

Flagrant Violation of Treaty Rights.

WELFARE OF TROOPS AT HONG KONG.

Question of Accommodation Raised in Parliament.

A grave new problem has been created by the decision of the Nanking Government to make sweeping increases in the surtaxes and to raise a \$60,000,000 loan in treasury notes on the salt revenues. Both these decisions represent flagrant violations of treaty rights and loan agreements, and a special meeting of the diplomatic corps was held in Peking yesterday to consider the matter.

There is a general feeling that it is useless to send Notes of protest unless the home governments are prepared to take further action if the Notes are disregarded.

HONG KONG TROOPS.

Questions were raised in the House of Commons yesterday regarding the accommodation for Shanghai Defence Force troops in Hong Kong who were said to have been flooded out.

The Secretary of State for War said he believed that proper accommodation was being arranged for all units, though he was not absolutely sure everyone was under cover.

Local inquiries confirm the impression that the question in the House of Commons must have been inspired by a letter Home, no troops having been under canvas now for two months.

HONG KONG RAINS.

Belated Query in House Of Commons.

London, July 11.

In the House of Commons, Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) drew attention to the accommodation of the Shanghai Defence Force troops at Hong Kong, particularly of the 1st Camerounians, whose tents, he alleged, were frequently flooded out.

Comdr. Kenworthy expressed the opinion that in view of the service the troops were rendering, the foreign community could be relied upon to provide suitable buildings.

Sir L. Worthington Evans, Secretary of War, said he believed that proper accommodation was being arranged for all units, though he was not absolutely sure every one was under cover and not canvas.

Reservists' Contracts.

Comdr. Kenworthy asked whether the A. reservists would be sent home first if further reductions were possible.

Sir L. Worthington Evans replied that the contracts with the Reservists would be strictly carried out.—Reuter.

The 1st Camerounians are at present at the Rope Factory, Kowloon and have to use the expression of the official "mouthpiece" of the Government, been under "cover" for two months or more. On their first arrival, until preparations were complete for accommodation elsewhere of the few thousand troops for whom preparations had to be made at short notice, the Camerounians (with others) were at San Wei, overlooking the Fanling race course.

During the heavy rains of April, the camp, which was on the hillside, was "flooded out," and conditions, until the Peninsula Hotel was ready for them, were certainly far from ideal. With the completion of the Shamsui encampment and other places arranged for billeting, the problem was largely solved, and no troops have been under canvas for two months or more.

The question in the House of Commons was probably inspired by a letter reaching England describing conditions that existed in April.

NANKING TAXES.

Diplomatic Corps Emergency Meeting.

Peking, July 11.

It is understood that an emergency meeting of the Diplomatic Corps this morning lengthily discussed the Nanking Government's new taxes, while the Powers interested discussed the proposed Nanking Government issue of \$60,000,000 in treasury notes secured on the Salt Gabelle.

Grave Problem.

It is realised that a grave problem has been created by the new taxes, also that the treasury note issue, if permitted, will seriously affect the existing loans secured on the Gabelle.

COLONIAL OFFICE.

Importance Of Service Overseas.

STATEMENT IN PARLIAMENT.

London, July 11.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Herbert Williams asked whether it was the practice for Colonial Office officials to serve for a period in an administrative post overseas and periodically to visit parts of the Empire with which their work was concerned.

Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for Colonies, said the seconding of officials for service overseas as a general practice presents serious administrative difficulties, but arrangements have recently been made for two officers to be attached to the staffs of the Governors of Ceylon and Nigeria for about two years and three years, respectively. He hoped to make similar overseas arrangements in future.

Appointments to the administrative grade of the Colonial Office are now subject to the acceptance of liability for service overseas for minimum periods of a year.

He was convinced of the value of the suggested periodical visits and several had occurred in the past few years. Others were contemplated in the near future.—Reuter.

SEVERE 'QUAKE.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE IN PALESTINE.

A FATAL HOTEL CRASH.

Jerusalem, July 11.

In a four seconds' earthquake the city escaped lightly.

A small dome of the Holy Sepulchre cracked and some buildings in the old city collapsed.

Several people were wounded but there was no loss of life.

There was serious damage in the neighbourhood of Olivet and the Ramallah Hotel collapsed at Jericho burying three tourists.—Reuter.

Buildings Damaged.

Twenty-six people were killed and 30 were injured in an earthquake in the Jerusalem district. Thirty persons were killed at Nablu.

Many houses were damaged in Jerusalem, the interior of Government House seriously. The Hebrew University was considerably damaged.

The shock was widespread in Palestine and Trans-Jordania.

The hotel at Jericho collapsed and three Indian lady tourists were killed.

The streets in Jerusalem are full of excited crowds.—Reuter.

PUBLIC SPIRIT.

FRENCH CITIZENS GIVE BONDS TO FLAMES.

HELPING THE STATE.

Paris, July 11.

In the presence of a delegation of the administrative council of the sinking fund and delegates of the national committee of voluntary contributions, presided over by Marshal Joffre 22,744 Government bonds, of a nominal value of 19,000,000 francs, were solemnly burned in the furnaces of the mint. The bonds voluntarily subscribed were written off the Republic debt.

Voluntary contributions to the fund to June 30 produced in currency 228,000,000 francs and in Government bonds 70,000,000 francs.—Reuter.

ELEPHANTS STAMPEDE.

TRAIN CRASHES INTO CIRCUS HERD.

A PANIC IN ILLINOIS.

Aurora, Illinois, July 11.

An exciting diversion was provided for railroad passengers when a train ploughed through a herd of elephants leaving a local circus.

One elephant and its rider were instantly killed and other carrying a rider and his wife were thrown, the fall seriously injuring the animal and its riders.

The rest of the herd stampeded, trumpeting furiously and creating a panic.

The passengers took two hours to round up the stable.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 15/16

DUBLIN MURDER.

Civic Guards Make Nine Arrests.

SYMPATHY FROM AMERICA.

London, July 11.

The civic guards have made nine arrests in Dublin in connection with the assassination of Mr. Kevin O'Higgins, Vice-President of the Irish Free State.—Reuter.

Mr. Kellogg's Message.

Washington, July 10.

Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, has cabled Mr. Cosgrave, President of the Irish

VISITING HONG KONG.



Mr. Manuel Quezon, the Philippine Independence leader, who is passing through Hong Kong on his way to Shanghai.

Free State, "heartfelt condolences" on the death of Mr. O'Higgins.—Reuter.

Details of the Murder.

London, July 11.

The Irish Free State is horror-stricken at the assassination of Kevin O'Higgins.

A Dublin official account of the crime states that the motor car used by the murderers was stolen in the city on Saturday night. Shortly before midday yesterday three men drove it to the neighbourhood of Mr. O'Higgins's residence. Two others in the vicinity acted as scouts and signalled on spying the Minister who was proceeding to mass.

The three motorists descended from the car and fired on the Minister who ran across the road and fell on the footway. His assailants left him assuming he was dead, but seeing him slightly raise his hand they returned and each fired a shot at vital spots. They then made off in the car which was later found abandoned at Milltown.

It transpires that M. O'Higgins was alone when he was shot, his wife having gone to mass earlier.—Reuter.

FRESH HOPE.

NAVAL EXPERTS RESUME THEIR NEGOTIATIONS.

Geneva, July 12.

The heads of the naval delegations have resumed negotiations, which is considered a hopeful sign of the ultimate success of the conference.—Reuter.

Conference Postponed.

Geneva, July 11.

The plenary sitting of the naval conference fixed for to-day has been postponed on the initiative of Mr. Gibson in consequence of the death of Mr. Kevin O'Higgins.—Reuter.

SPEEDING IN TRAFFIC.

A fine of \$20 was imposed this morning on the driver of motor car No. 428 for travelling at 30 m.p.h. from Eastern Street to the Harbour Office.

Sgt. Clark said the accused was going at this high speed in Des Vaux Road West where there was always a lot of traffic, and only slackened when turning into Connaught Road Central.

WARRANT ISSUED.

Norwegian Captain In Trouble.

QUARANTINE INFRINGEMENTS.

A warrant for the arrest of Capt. T. Eliassen, master of the s.s. "Hiram," was ordered this morning by Lt. Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., acting Marine Magistrate.

The master was charged by the Water Police on two counts relative to the infringement of local quarantine regulations and failed to answer the summons, having already sailed from the Colony.

At the previous hearing Inspector Brown, of the Water Police, in charge of the case, stated that the master had failed to appear. The summons issued under Section 23 (1) Table I of the Ordinance of 1899, had been taken out by Dr. T. M. Tsoi, Assistant Health Officer of the Port. The maximum fine under the Ordinance was \$2,000. He understood that the ship had cleared for Swatow and Bangkok on Sunday, and would not be in port again under three weeks.

At this morning's hearing Sgt. Vine, of the Water Police, gave evidence as to serving the summonses on the master aboard the "Hiram." This was done at 5 p.m. on July 8. The master said he would not appear in court as the ship was going to sea. Witness said he pointed out to the captain that the summonses required him to appear personally.

The Marine Magistrate said that the case would be adjourned sine die and a warrant issued immediately for the arrest of the master of the vessel.

The s.s. "Hiram" is a Norwegian vessel for which Messrs. Thorsen and Co. are agents.

FINE WEATHER.

BUT A TYPHOON WARNING.

"Light, variable winds; fine" is the official weather forecast for the next 24 hours.

A warning to Hong Kong and coast ports states that a depression or typhoon of unknown intensity is within 120 miles of Lat. 17 degree N. Long. 130 degree E., moving W.N.W.

Pressure has decreased moderately at Chefoo, slightly over S.W. Japan, Formosa the Philippines and S. China. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

A feeble anticyclone is central to the east of Tokio and a depression is shown over N.E. China.

The typhoon is about 1,000 miles E.S.E. of Hong Kong moving W.N.W.

"A SICKLY HUE."

MAGISTRATE AND TRAFFIC LIGHT.

When the adjourned case in which Dr. S. C. Ho was charged with failing to obey traffic signals in Arsenal Street was recalled at traffic time in Major C. Willson's Court this morning, the Magistrate said: "I saw this light in Arsenal Street and do not think that it is unduly high. I noticed, however, that the lights were not bright, especially the green one which had a sickly hue." Defendant was fined \$5.

BURGLARS BUSY.

RESIDENTS OF KOWLOON ROBBED.

Mr. H. P. Allgood, residing at Windsor Lodge, Kimberley Road, Kowloon, reports that his bedroom was entered last night by a thief who stole jewellery worth \$168. The man gained the verandah by climbing the water pipe outside and entered the room through the open verandah door.

A thief entered Mr. R. M. Wood's house, No. 5, Aimal Villas, Kowloon, yesterday morning by the front door which was left unlocked, and stole \$39 in notes from the pocket of Mr. Wood's coat which was hanging on the hatstand in the entrance hall.

BRITAIN'S FOREIGN POLICY.

No Attempt To Form Anti-Russian Bloc.

READY TO BE FRIENDS.

But World Propaganda Must Cease First.

An important review of Britain's foreign policy was made in the House of Commons yesterday by the Secretary for Foreign Affairs during a debate initiated by the Labour Party.

After referring to an obsession which had "now taken root in a great neighbouring country," Sir Austen Chamberlain said that Britain was striving to reconcile enemies and remove distrust.

Sir Austen Chamberlain said that Britain was not trying to form an anti-Russian bloc and would resume diplomatic relations when the Soviets ceased their hostile propaganda.

THREE MAIN ISSUES.

Labour and the Position In Russia.

London, July 11.

In the House of Commons, Mr. A. Ponsonby (Labour) introduced a motion to reduce the Foreign Office estimates by £100. Having opened a general discussion on foreign affairs, he set forth the Opposition attitude and raised three main issues, namely the relationship of France and Germany, the position in South-East Europe and the position in Russia.

Mr. Ponsonby condemned secret diplomacy and the grouping and manoeuvring between various na-

FRANCE'S ARMY.

Both Houses Pass a Law For Reorganising.

Paris, July 11.

The Senate by 272 to 18 votes has passed a Bill to reorganise the Army. The Chamber of Deputies has already passed the Bill.—Reuter.

tions and advocated the full and open use of the League of Nations to restore the effective peace of Europe. He said there was alarming ambition in Italy, fear in Russia, resentment in Germany, suspicion in France, danger in Poland, confusion in the Balkans, distrust in America and war in China.

Nothing Secret.

Sir Austen Chamberlain emphasised that there was no secrecy about British foreign policy and no undertaking was entered into without the approval of Parliament.

He gave his pledge that the Government would not make binding engagements committing Britain to ultimate action in case of war without the approval of Parliament.

It was a tragedy that the pre-war obsession in Germany that it was necessary to keep other Governments from quarrelling amongst themselves for Germany's profit had "now taken root in another great neighbouring country."

All the efforts of British statesmanship were to reconcile enemies and remove causes of difference.

No Anti-Russian Bloc.

Sir Austen Chamberlain said the League was stronger than it was three years ago. Questions were now being discussed in a spirit of friendly co-operation which could be discussed then. He believed that a policy of reconciliation was also France's and Germany's.

Britain was not trying to form an anti-Russian bloc. Each country had been informed that there would be no fear, criticism or jealousy from Britain if they could improve their respective relations with the Soviet.

Sir Austen Chamberlain referred to a statement by Mr. Briand, French Foreign Minister, that France was willing to negotiate with the United States for the outlawry of war. Sir Austen Chamberlain wished them well. He hoped that war between the United States and Britain had already been outlawed.

Geneva Hopes.

Sir Austen Chamberlain still hoped that the Geneva naval conversations would lead to sensible relief of the burdens which otherwise would fall on the three peoples. Britain could only move with the other Powers.

The British proposal if adopted would lead to a reduction in ex-

penditure nearer \$50,000,000 than \$40,000,000 shortly.

It was unthinkable that we would enter into a new race with the United States in naval armaments. When it was possible fairly to put the British naval proposals before the public there would be no doubt as regards their reasonable character or the sincerity of the Government in seeking the greatest relief for the peoples.

Sir Austen Chamberlain hoped that a new stimulus might be given to the larger international conference which was to consider not merely naval but also land and sea armaments.

Britain and Russia.

Replying to the debate, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government would do its utmost to see that the expectations raised by the resolution of the Ambassadors' Conference as regards evacuation of the Rhineland were carried out as soon as possible.

As regards Russia, Britain was prepared to resume diplomatic relations when the Soviets ceased their world-wide anti-British propaganda and recognised their obligations.

As regards Geneva, the British would do their best and no feeling of mere pride would be allowed to bar the way.

Mr. Ponsonby's motion was defeated by 222 to 105 votes.—Reuter.

STORM HAVOC.

HORRORS DRIVE PEOPLE INSANE.

MANY DEATHS IN SAXONY.

Berlin, July 11.

An official report states that there were 145 deaths in Saxony as a result of the storms.

Troops, police and volunteers are scouring the devastated districts where the receding waters left thick layers of mud.

Several cases are reported of people going mad.—Reuter.

[A Reuter cable dated July 10 stated: There have been over 100 fatalities and three-quarters of a million sterling damage through a terrific storm of torrential rain floods in so-called "Saxon Switzerland," a favourite tourist resort, near Dresden. Two small rivers were transformed into raging torrents that devastated the valleys at night time. Hundreds of villagers were drowned while abed in the village of Neundorf, which was swept away, while half the town of Borsigshubel was destroyed and also the railway station of Glaschütz, where passengers in a train were imprisoned by the floods for hours. Great masses of timber from the timber factories were swept down by the floods at a terrific pace and did great damage everywhere.]

ONLY A MYTH.

COOLIES FOR NEW HEBRIDES NOT KNAPPED.

Townsville, July 11.

Following a customs collector's enquiry it is stated that nothing was revealed to indicate that the coolies had not been voluntarily indentured.—Reuter.

[A Townsville message dated July 10 stated: The Customs collector, on behalf of the Federal Government, is investigating allegations that between four and five hundred coolies aboard the steamer "Haiman," at present here, have been kidnapped from Annam and are being forcibly taken to the New Hebrides.]

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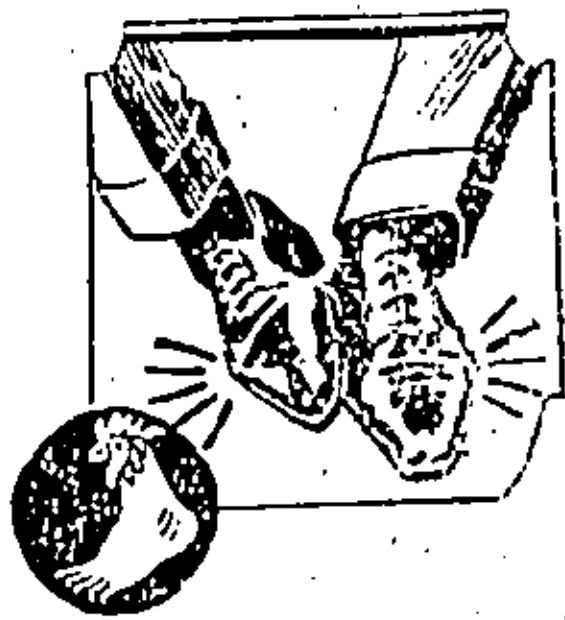
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NOTABLE CHANGES.

100 YEARS OF LAW AND
CRIME.

OFFICIAL CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

In nothing has England changed more during the years between 1827 and 1927 than in her criminal code (writes Tennyson Jesse in the "Evening Standard"). Penalties have grown less and less severe and yet there is very much less crime nowadays than there was even in the 'seventies and 'eighties. The official Criminal Statistics show that since the war—though people are apt to think there has been an increase in crime—there has, in actual fact, been much less than in the years just before 1914.

Let us hope that this steady amelioration throughout the century is due largely, or at least partly, to the improving conscience of humanity, but we can at least be certain that it is very largely due to increased police efficiency and better conditions of living. To read the statistics of a hundred years—even of sixty years—ago, is to find oneself projected into an England incredibly savage both in crime and punishment.

Death Penalty Reform.

In 1828 an Act was passed consolidating the law relating to offences against the person. By this Act the death penalty was retained for crimes of violence and certain social offences other than murder; but already there was a feeling in the land that the law took too lightly, and 1832 saw the abolishment of the death penalty for cattle stealing, and in 1835 the crime of letter stealing was also released from the extreme punishment. Various Acts, passed from 1832 to 1861, reduced the number of cases in which capital punishment could be inflicted until only murder and high treason were left.

It is saddening to see when an Act was passed in 1841 making rape no longer punishable by death, the commitments for trial for this crime at once attained a higher rate, increasing about 28 per cent, and remaining at that higher figure ever since. The same remarks apply to the crime of stabbing and attempting to do grievous bodily harm. Nevertheless, with the exception of murder, which has remained very much the same for the best hundred years, the number of indictable offences committed shows an amazing decrease.

In 1845, the first year that the official criminal statistics were issued, the annual average of cases tried at Assizes and Quarter Sessions was 24,303. For the four years from 1909 to 1913 there were 13,235 cases. In other words, the one year alone of 1845 is nearly twice as heavy as the whole four years of 1909 to 1913. There was, of course, a still greater decrease during the four war years, only 6,662 cases being tried altogether, which shows how true the old proverb is that Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do. But since the war, since we have had unemployment and every kind of difficulty the records are still cheering. 1920 to 1924 only show a total of 8,494. So much for the alleged crime-wave since the war. These figures do not, of course, include cases of indictable offences tried at courts of summary jurisdiction.

Murder, however, remains much the same year in, year out, and except for a sudden rise in 1876 to 130 cases, the figures vary between the 40's and the 80's for the last hundred years.

As I have said, the decrease in crime must be put down very largely to better police work, better conditions of living, and, let us hope, a certain change of heart. The chief changes that since 1827 have been of assistance on the side of law and order, are the increased power of the Press, telegraphy, the finger-print-system, wireless and motor-cars. As long ago as the murder of Lord William Russell by his valet Couvillier the Press was of assistance, for an hotel-keeper read of the arrest of a man whose description she recognised and who had left a parcel with her.

The finger-print system, which originated in the East under Sir Edward Henry, has now been brought to such a pitch of perfection that a man whose finger-prints have once been taken can always be identified in a very few moments.

The first person who was tracked down and caught by means of the electric telegraph was John Tawell, a Quaker, the murderer of his daughter-in-law, in 1845, and the first murderer who was caught through the agency of the wireless was the notorious Dr. Crippen. But the great ally of the law a hundred years ago and now, is, of course, the stupidity of the criminal.

Before 1829 no properly organised police force existed, and when Sir Robert Peel started his "bobbies or 'peelers'" the feeling was so strong against them that placards all over London denounced to "Englishmen! Britons!! and honest men!!" to rise up and resist "Peel's bloody gang." Nevertheless, our police force has gone on prospering, and another blow was struck against the criminal world when the C.I.D.—the Criminal Investigation Department—consisted of experts in detection, was established in 1878.

Abolish Hanging!

It is true that inventions such as the telegraph and motorcars help the criminal as well as the police, and are even sometimes the cause of new crimes; we have only to think of the motor bandits to realise that.

The tendency of the law during the period under review has been to protect more and to punish less. The passing of the Act in 1893, that allows the defendant to go into the box on his own behalf, so that a prisoner is no longer necessarily a dumb man, and the establishment of the Court of Criminal Appeal in 1907 are both steps in the right direction. It almost seems—in spite of the statistics in the matters of rape, stabbing, etc.—that the time has come to try the experiment of abolishing the death penalty altogether.

The feeling of humanity revolts against it more and more, and perhaps in a hundred years' time our grisly paraphernalia of that little early morning walk, pinning, and the ghastly drop will seem as incredible to our descendants as the wholesale hangings for theft a hundred years ago seem to us now. Higher ideals of the duty, not only of the citizen towards the State, but also of the State towards the citizen, seem to have answered so well that perhaps it is not too much to hope that even this experiment might prove successful.

THE CAVE MAN.

ARTIST'S HOME ABOVE THE
SEINE.

There is a man in London who bought his house for £3 freehold and pays no rates and taxes. His home is a cave above the village of Chantemesle, near Mantes, 40 miles from Paris.

It is the last of the caves in which the ancestors of the villagers used to live. Having been promoted to cottages, the villagers cannot understand anyone preferring a cave. They all own bits of caves, but do not think they are worth retaining.

Mr. Claude Flight, the artist, had difficulty, however, in getting the mayor to sell the cave. He wanted it for the village policeman, and thought that if he had the cave Mr. Flight should take over the duties. As the pay is only 5 francs a day for being not only policeman but roadman, the artist declined. He succeeded in getting the title-deeds 5 years ago and has lived there every summer since.

It is an ideal home for an artist in Mr. Flight's opinion. He is in the midst of beautiful scenery, as will be seen in his exhibition of oils and water-colours at the Redfern Gallery, Old Bond Street, to-day (June 2 to 28).

There are pictures also of the cave which is above the village looking down on the Seine and its wooded islands. Mr. Flight has a canoe by which he goes shopping to a neighbouring village. The baker blows a horn in the village below and he goes down for bread and for letters to the postman does not recognise the cave.

The cave, which is of chalk, is quite dry.

SEGRAVE AT BROOKLANDS.

On a track which was sufficiently slippery, owing to torrents of rain, to necessitate the postponement of racing at Brooklands, Major Segrave, who recently established a world's record of 203 miles an hour, brought out his Sunbeam racing car and enriched the track amid enthusiastic cheers.

Entering the straight, he attempted to demonstrate the car's powers of acceleration, but no sooner had he "stepped on the gas" and reached second speed, than the Sunbeam, amid a shower of spray, skidded wildly, its tail swinging right across the track. Major Segrave straightened the car out, but skidded to the left again. He fought at the wheel, missing a crash into the rails by the narrowest margin, after which he carefully drove off.

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A DYING RACE?

WHY THE STONE AGE MAN
CANNOT EXIST.

AUSTRALIA'S ABORIGINES.

Sir Baldwin Spencer, the scientist, says that the Australian Aborigines are dying out.

There are 30,000 of them, and some who have studied them believe they were never very much more numerous than this because they have always led a rather hard, wandering life among the desert plains of Australia, and have never had enough food at hand to increase rapidly. Australia is, and always has been, without great mammals, all the races of which flourished in the northern part of the globe, but never found their way to this island continent of the south.

Consequently the Australian Black grew up into almost as strange and rare a human being as the animals which developed in his land. These animals had no new strains introduced among them. The Australian men lived alone and apart in a Stone Age for thousands of years before Captain Cook came to discover them.

Many of them live in the Stone Age still. In the sun-washed and almost rainless lands of Central Australia wandering tribes of them feed on roots and snakes and iguana lizards and "witchetty grub" caterpillars. They have totems and ceremonies which bear witness to the esteem in which they hold their supporters of their existence.

They often have not enough to eat in a bad season. Their homes are mere windcreens, behind which they crouch. They have flint knives and scrapers: their chief weapons are the spear and the boomerang. Children in temper and temperament, they are alternately gay and violent. Quite irresponsible, nobody can say what a Black Man will do.

They are superb hunters; they have no greed of property, for nobody has any, and everything belongs to all. They are often good and faithful servants to the farmers in the Northern Territory who can persuade them to stick to work.

There are many of them who have shown an intelligence which can be highly cultivated by education. Among them is David Unaipon, an aboriginal who has astounded the professors of Melbourne and Sydney Universities by the breadth of his intelligence and his capacity to absorb instruction. Moreover, he has become an acknowledged authority on ballistics, which has to do with projectiles, or the hurling of power over great distances.

CORNSTALKS.

Maize is grown in immense quantities in many countries as food for man and beast, but hitherto its stiff, tough stalk has found no commercial use (says the "Children's Newspaper").

Now a group of American capitalists has brought the American rights of a new invention by which the cornstalk will be made a source of unending wealth. Dr. Bela Dorner, chief chemist to the Hungarian Railways, has invented a process by which cornstalks can be made into useful pulp.

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on July 1, 1927.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Tytam	42'11" B.	1'10" B.
Tytam Byewash	25' 5" B.	8' 9" B.
Tytam Intermediate Level		
Tytam Tuk	27' 9" B.	Level
Wong Nei Chung	19' 7" B.	7' 8" B.
Pokfulum	22' 5" B.	9'11" B.

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow."]

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Tytam	115.12	309.40
Tytam Byewash	87	11.19
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.50
Tytam Tuk	830.50	1,419.00
Wong Nei Chung	10.16	21.08
Pokfulum	19.95	44.48

Total

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June:—

	1926	1927
Consumption	256.48	303.33
Estimated population 402,460		
per day (gallons)	21.2	24.4

Constant Supply in all Rides Main Districts during June 1926 and 1927.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	5'0" B.	Level
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	17'9" B.	2'7" B.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	297.66	362.50
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	38.72	90.45

Total

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June:—

	1926	1927
Consumption	386.98	442.95
Estimated population 155,020		
per day (gallons)	15.4	20.3

Full Supply in all districts during June, 1926 and 1927.

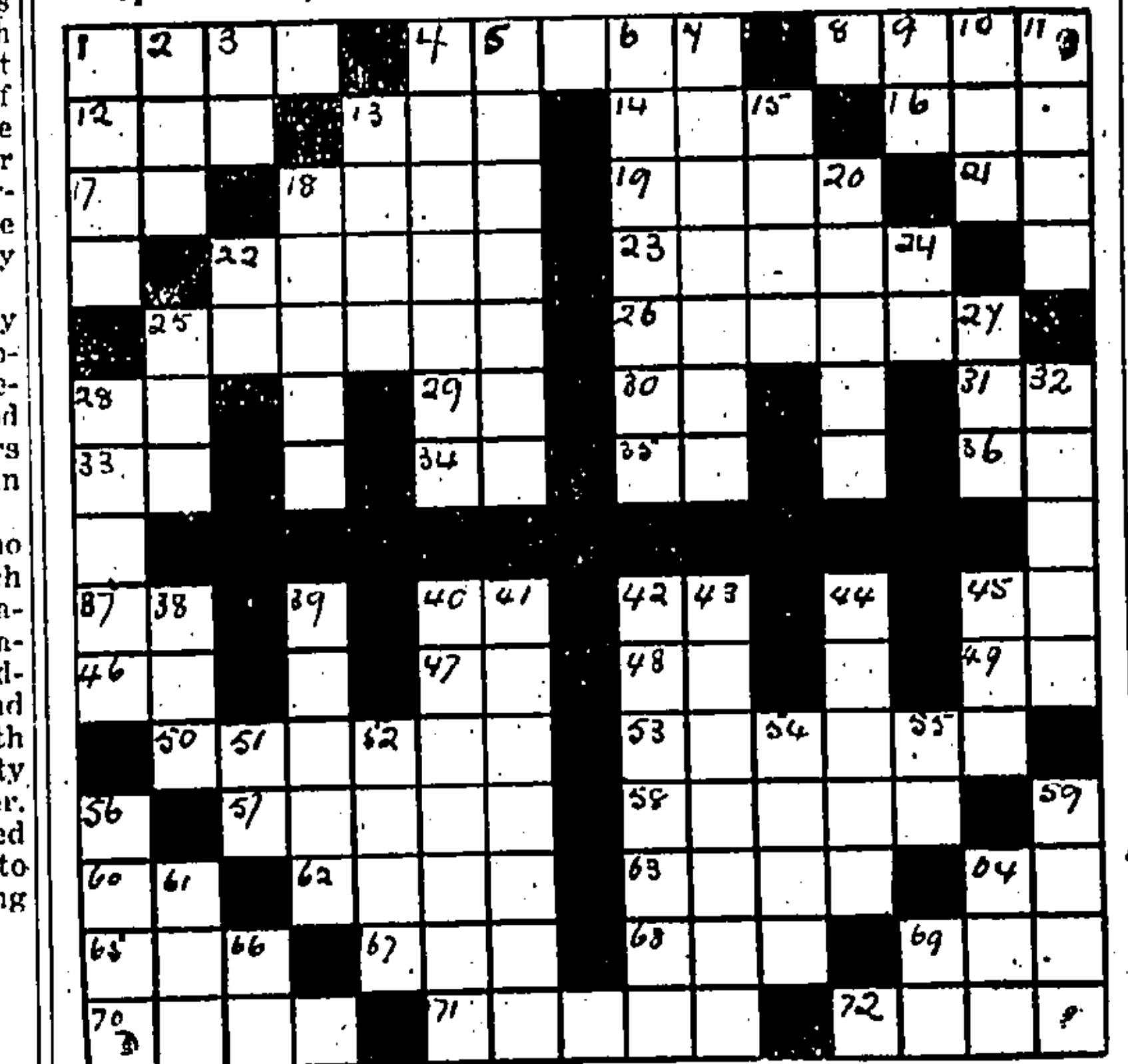
The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.
Total rainfall for June 30, 1926, 36.99; June 30, 1927, 58.45.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE. [SECOND SERIES.]

NO. 11—\$50 MUST BE WON

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4. No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
5. Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
6. No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
7. The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
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12. All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Offices, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
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Name

Address

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

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[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

- | Across. | Down. |
|--|--|
| 1 A pouch or sac, without opening which is accidentally developed in one of the natural cavities, or in the substance of the organs. | 1 To adhere. |
| 4 Impost. | 2 Hiccough. |
| 8 Back street of a city. | 3 S.G. (Actual). |
| 12 Limb. | 4 To heal. |
| 13 To proceed glibly. | 5 A worm. |
| 14 A command. | 6 An almost imperceptible swelling of the shaft of a column. |
| 16 Anglo-Saxon money of account. | 7 Rhomb. |
| 17 Chopper. | 9 Behold. |
| 18 Lead. | 10 To utilize. |
| 19 A chief. | 11 Barley, or other grain steeped in water till it germinates, and then dried in a kiln. |
| 21 Hebrew Delty. | 13 A club of politicians, who, in the time of Charles I. contemplated an equal government. |
| 22 Extravagant. | 15 To venture. |
| 23 Hawks' nest. | 16 A genus of carnivorous digitigrade animals. |
| 25 To cut or carve for ornament. | 20 Laughing. |
| 26 Checks. | 22 Upon. |
| 28 River in Italy. | 24 E.P. (Actual) |
| 29 Yes (Spanish). | 26 Period of time. |
| 30 I.G. (Actual). | 27 To extract. |
| 31 Neuter pronoun. | 28 Brisk. |
| 33 Printer's measure. | 32 Short quiet. |
| 34 H.D. (Actual). | 38 Tree of the genus Ulmus. |
| 35 Compass point (Abb.) | 39 A man of a particular turn of mind (reversed). |
| 36 P.R. (Actual). | 40 Practices making men's clothes. |
| 37 Second note of scale. | 41 A tuft. |
| 40 T.T. (Actual). | 42 Small sunshade. |
| 42 P.P. (Actual). | |

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SPHINX	A	20th May	19th July
PAUL LEGAT	A	2nd June	2nd Aug.
AMAZON	B	17th June	16th Aug.
CHENNAI	A	1st July	30th Aug.
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SHIPPING

SECTION.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The following ocean-going steamers arrived during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day:—
"Carnarvonshire" (5955) British, from Shanghai—Jardine's—6 passengers, 10 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 9,053 tons general (through).
"Hosang" (3293) British, from Singapore—Jardine's—1249 passengers, 1,119 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,701 tons general (through).
"Automedon" (4781) British, from Dairen, Shanghai—B. & S.—4 passengers, 8 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,931 tons general (through).
"Portfield" (3218) British, from Barry, Colombo—Admiralty—154 tons coke, 6,242 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"City of Chester" (3521) British, from Yokohama—Bank Line.
"Waikiki" (1170) British, from Swatow—Jardine's—1 passenger.
"Song Bo" (720) French, from Haiphong, Fort Bayard—M.M.—18 passengers, 1,060 tons rice for Hong Kong, 6 tons rice (through).
"Van Heutz" (2720) Dutch, from Singapore—J.C.J.L.—2190 passengers, 1,200 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 500 tons general (through).
"Tjikembang" (5028) Dutch, from Shanghai, Keelung—J.C.J.L.—39 passengers, 1,900 tons general cargo (through).
"Dessau" (4117) German, from Shanghai—Melchers & Co.—4 passengers, 250 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6,000 tons general (through).
"Solvik" (1435) Norwegian, from Saigon—Fan Yuen Hong—215 passengers, 2,700 tons rice for Hong Kong.

Departures.
For Swatow—Bintang.
For Shanghai—Haruna Maru, Tjikarang.
For Canton—Deli Maru, Po-sang.
For Haiphong—Ming Sang.
For Saigon—Produce.
For Ningpo—Wong Shek Kung.
For Manila—Pres. Lincoln.
For Moji—Rakuyo Maru.
For Keelung—Sanjin Maru, Shinyo Maru.
For Singapore—Unio.
For Hongkong—Ryusho Maru.

Clearances.
For Shanghai—Novara, Ixion.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In
British	6	2	36
Japanese	5	6	6
Norwegian	1	1	5
Chinese	2	1	16
Danish	0	1	0
Dutch	2	2	5
French	1	0	1
German	0	1	1
American	0	1	1
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	4
	18	15	76

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REPORT FROM
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Waterlevels in English Feet.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. on record	Lowest W.L. on record	W.L. 9/7	W.L. 10/7
West River at Shihlung	+41.0'	0'	+24.9	rising
North River at Tsingyuen	+28.7'	0'	+14.5	rising
North River at Samshui	+27.3'	5'	+15.3	rising
East River at Sheklung	+15.2'	8'	+5.5	+7.0

The P. & O. "Novara" arrived on Sunday carrying ammunition for the Government and a large number of Naval ratings, reliefs for vessels on the station. This is her first visit to Hong Kong, she having been previously employed on the intermediate service between Europe and India.

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DEATHS AT SEA.

The master of the s.s. "Hosang" has reported two deaths which occurred aboard the vessel between Singapore and Hong Kong.

A passenger died aboard the s.s. "Tjikembang" on the journey from Shanghai to Hong Kong.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" from Hong Kong, arrived at Marseilles yesterday, at 3.30 p.m.

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ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the "President Lincoln" on July 11 were:-

Mr. W. T. Alexander, Mr. S. J. Barden, Mr. Chan Tin-wah, Mr. Chow Man-chor, Mr. Chong Yek-yau, Mr. Law Pang-chang, Mr. Joe Sum-chang, Mr. Chui Tang-cham, Mr. Cheu Wai, Mr. C. J. Ferguson, Mr. K. Huang, Mr. E. L. Heymansson, Mr. Hue Man-fai, Mr. H. T. M. Lewis, Mr. R. A. Lewis, Mr. Lan Ping-ming, Lai Min-tong, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lindner, Mr. G. Lindner, Mr. Lum Yit-chung, Mr. P. S. Louey, Mr. Lee Ying-lam, Mr. Liu Chuck-se, Mr. Hsu Shung, Mrs. E. Stewart, Mr. F. R. Smith, Mr. Wong Ming-tang, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Tai-loy, Mr. Peter's Whitfield, Mr. Wong Doo-yen, Mr. Wong Kue, Mr. Wong Yuen-long, Mr. Wong Lui-chong, Mr. Yung Dot, Mr. Yui Chai-chum, Mrs. C. C. Yui, Mr. H. R. Yun, Mr. Yu Chu-chung, Mr. James O-chew, Miss E. M. Pickersly, Mr. F. C. and Mrs. Roberts and Master G. Roberts.

Passengers arrived in Hong Kong on June 11 by the "Empress of Asia" were:-

Mr. P. W. Blackwell, Mr. L. Daval, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fleming, Miss Kong Ho, Mr. Liu Wachen, L. F. Milburn, Mr. L. Osorio, Mr. C. A. Partridge, Mr. Poon Ping, Mrs. M. Richards, Mr. P. L. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Thwaites, Mr. O. J. Todd, Mr. J. H. Tucker, Mr. Yang Shui-tung, Mrs. J. L. V. D. and Miss M. Arroyo, Mr. A. and E. Lacsos, Hon. M. L. Quezon, Mr. F. Buencamino, Mr. T. Ramos, Mr. R. F. Trias, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Vasquez, Mr. J. A. Angara, Mr. Oei Yoe-tjing, Mr. A. L. Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. V. Arnold, Mr. W. B. Arnold, Miss M. A. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byrns, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byrns, Jr., Mr. H. J. Drane, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Leatherwood, Miss M. Leatherwood, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lehlach, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Strong, Mr. J. Villaseñer, Mrs. M. J. Buckel, Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Farrell, Mrs. A. M. Hall, Miss T. T. Queenan, Mr. A. M. Stewart, Miss B. Hall, Mr. V. C. Ressler, Lt.-Comdr. F. Baltzy, Mr. Chen Ching-wei, Mr. Chow Ah-gee, Mr. L. O. Heck, Mrs. Heck and infant, Mr. Ho Lin, Mrs. Leung Siao-siao, Miss Yok Loan, Mr. Ng Leong, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Mr. G. Tsamis, Miss E. Billanueva, Mr. Wong Man-tong, Mr. Yam Chuen-bak, Mrs. C. B. Kitchen, Mrs. A. W. Atkins, Miss C. E. Sutherland, Mr. Tsang Tsung, Mr. and Mrs. N. Simmons, Mr. Li Weichen, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Whiteley, Masters R. and G. Whiteley, Mr. N. Enomoto, Mr. A. L. and Miss L. Rudes, Mrs. J. and Master J. S. Wyllie.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the "Haruna Maru" from London and Way Ports on July 10 were:-

Mr. Cheong Chan-hong, Mr. C. W. O. V. Dorsser, Mr. A. Van Duwron, Mr. A. Chang Kan, Mrs. A. Chang-kan, Mrs. A. Kaufholz, Mr. C. Lok Chen, Mr. P. Yin Ngai, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Teves, Mr. H. J. Veth, Mr. J. Forbes, Miss V. Kettlewell, Miss Kettlewell, Master Kettlewell, Mr. Lee Yin-thye, Mr. L. M. Morrison, Mr. M. Podolsky, Dr. E. de Souza, Mr. E. J. Allen, Mr. T. Brunskill, Mr. J. N. Barnett, Miss E. F. Henbury, Master L. R. Henbury, Mr. J. D. Heeringa, Marquis and Marchioness M. Hosokawa, Mr. D. J. Evans, Mrs. R. M. Evans, Mr. T. Enjo, Mr. T. Fukuda, Mr. M. Fukushima, Mr. H. M. Gilmore, Mr. N. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. T. Henbury, Master T. J. Henbury, Mr. J. Ito, Mr. A. Iizuka, Mr. K. Iyahashi, Mrs. E. Johnes, Mr. J. Kanda, Mr. S. Kawai, Mr. T. Kato, Mr. U. Kashiwabara, Mr. Wm. A. McClelland, Mr. K. Matsuda, Mr. Y. Moriya, Mr. T. Mizoguchi, Mr. A. Maki, Mr. K. Mikimoto, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Mori, Mr. F. Morita, Mr. R. J. B. Nicholson, Mr. T. Newton, Mr. S. Nagayama, Mr. M. Numa, Mrs. K. Noborimoto, Mr. and Mrs. E. Nakai, Miss K. Nakai, Master H. Nakai, Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakamura, Miss T. Nakamura, Master A. Nakamura, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Nomura, Miss T. Otake, Mr. and Mrs. B. Oettingham, Mrs. T. Oettingham, Mrs. Y. Otake, Mr. A. S. Potter, Rev. G. Parma, Mr. H. Roe, Mr. R.

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DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong by the "President Lincoln" for Manila on July 11 were:-

Mr. Fung Huken-mant, Mr. Kan Koam-ting, Mr. A. R. Jarould, Mr. C. A. Nelson, Mr. Y. Kushihe, Mrs. Wong Shee, Miss Liang Chong, Mr. and Mrs. D. Jenkins, Miss C. Jenkins, Mr. Wong Lam, Master Mario Lam, Mrs. Chan Lin, Miss Che San, Master Antonio Wong, Mr. and Mrs. Policarpo A. Uy Yam, Mr. A. D. Steward, Master J. Steward, Miss M. Steward, Mr. and Mrs. W. Andreas, Miss M. L. Kati, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bevan, Mrs. E. Salonga, Miss E. R. Anderson, Mr. C. R. Kerr, Mr. L. C. Lethicke, Mr. J. A. Camedon, Mr. R. P. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grove, Mr. C. P. Holcamp, Mr. H. Inez, Miss M. Keene, Miss R. Langhin, Mr. Wm. Mogibon, Miss M. Sedgwick, Mrs. E. Tait, Mr. Sing Yu, Mr. V. R. Wetzel and Mr. M. Zavar.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong for Japan via Shanghai by the "Haruna Maru" on July 11 were:-

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TO MANILA.

PRESIDENT HAYES.....July 19th 6.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND.....July 19th 6.00 p.m.

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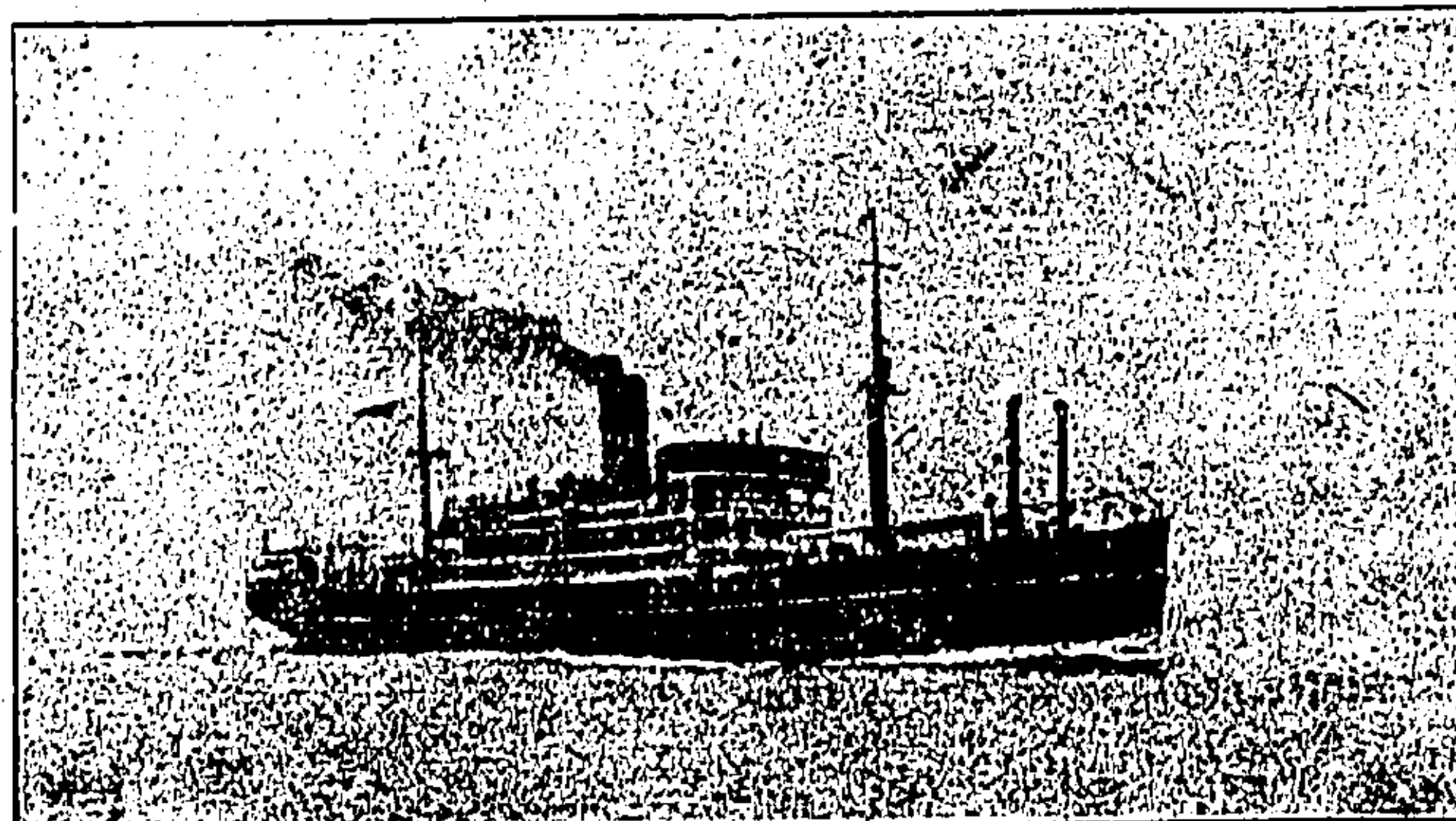
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BURNS.—On July 6, 1927, at
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R. K. Burns, a daughter.

DEATHS.

PETROFF.—On July 5, 1927, in
Shanghai, Anatol B. Petroff,
Assistant Manager, Hotel
Plaza.

MILLS.—On July 6, 1927, at 5
Tsongchow Road, Shanghai,
Joan Margaret Ellen, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mills,
aged eleven months.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, July 12, 1927.

NANKING'S SURTAXES.

Although some of its utterances
have been more than a little
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ment, on the whole, has been able
to win a considerable amount of
approval. The sympathy and re-
spect which have been felt for it,
however, will be severely shaken
by the surtax decisions reported
in yesterday's advices from
Shanghai. These decisions, some
of which, it is said, have already
been put into effect, impose sweep-
ing increases. Under the treaties
a 5 per cent. tax is legal for
ordinary goods, and a 2½ per
cent. increase was recently sanc-
tioned by the Powers, with the
exception of Japan, making 7½
per cent. in all. The Nanking
Government's decisions mean
that this 7½ per cent. will be in-
creased to 12½ per cent. Similar-
ly with the tax on luxury goods.
Under the treaties luxury goods
are taxed at 5 per cent., and a
further 5 per cent. was recently
sanctioned by the Powers. The
Nanking Government's decisions

mean that this 10 per cent. will
now be raised to 30 per cent.
Beside these sweeping increases,
the Nanking Government intends
also to collect a uniform tax of 50
per cent. ad valorem on all wines
and tobaccos, both native and
foreign, to impose a 50 per cent.
levy on existing Customs tonnage
dues, and to enforce special levies
on coal and oil. Needless to say
these surtaxes are all quite illegal
since each represents a breach of
the treaties. What action the
Powers will take it is impossible,
in the light of recent vacillation,
to say, but it is obvious that the
occasion calls for more than a
formal gesture. A policy of drift
will not serve. The Powers may
feel inclined to sit pat, feeling,
perhaps, that the Nanking Gov-
ernment is powerless to enforce
its decisions. Such an attitude as
that would be merely begging the
question and inviting still more
serious treaty breaches whenever
the Nanking Government is
again in need of money. When
uttering this warning, we are not
unmindful that the Nanking
Government, while imposing the
new surtaxes, proposes also to
abolish likin in the provinces
under its control. The abolition
of likin would no doubt offset the
new surtaxes. But apart from
the fact that China has under-
taken to abolish likin anyway, the
surtaxes would still remain as
illegal as ever they were. More-
over likin is not to be abolished by
a stroke of the pen. With about
a million people deriving income
from it in one way or another
it represents a huge vested in-
terest that can only be abolished
step by step as orderly conditions
permit. The Nanking Govern-
ment, when it so glibly promises
to abolish likin, must know that
any such action will require years
before it can become effective.
Therefore its new surtaxes simply
amount to a money-grabbing ex-
pedient in defiance of the treaties.
The Powers must look at the mat-
ter in this light and must shape
their policy accordingly.

An Irate A.D.C.

The Governor General of the
Philippine Islands appears to
possess an aide-de-camp as zealous
as he is indiscreet. This, if
the gentleman is to be judged by
what is reproduced from the
Manila papers about him, is put-
ting it mildly. The A.D.C. is a
Colonel Duckworth-Ford, and it

seems that the sight of a press
reporter or photographer is to
him as a red flag to a bull. The
two incidents recorded of his
tussle with newspaper men do not
reflect to his credit. One took
place at the Manila Hotel when a
photographer was present as
usual at a dinner party. The
A.D.C. stopped the man and as a
result of what followed a lens and
two plates were broken. When
the gallant Colonel was asked for
an explanation he ordered his
secretary to call the police and
have the misbehaved photogra-
pher removed. The second in-
cident occurred at the Governor
General's residence at Pasay
when a reporter called to see Gov-
ernor Gilmore in reference to the
previous affair at the Manila
Hotel. The A.D.C. intercepted a
note from the newspaper man to
the G. G. and told the former to
"get out," at the same time order-
ing a police officer to see that the
reporter did not come back. These
"scenes," naturally, have
raised an unfavourable impres-
sion of the new regime in the
Philippines, as nothing resembling
discourtesy to the Press was in
evidence during Governor
Wood's reign in the Islands.
Colonel Duckworth-Ford may be
an excellent aide-de-camp in that
he considers, rightly or wrongly,
that his chief should be protected
from the attentions of over-
curious newspaper men, but the
way he appears to be going about
his job is not a happy one and is
not likely to assist in promoting
the "fellow feeling" America de-
sires so much to cultivate in the
Philippines.

TOMMY'S SMOKES.

Having received a fresh batch
of letters, The "China Mail" de-
sires to point out that after de-
voting space on five successive
days last week to the subject of
"Tommy's Smokes," the corre-
spondence is now closed.
"Unsatisfied," who again calls
for the publication of a balance
sheet by the Y.M.C.A. "showing
the salaries and allowances of
the local Y.M.C.A. officials," is
advised to address his request
to the executive of that organ-
isation.

HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C.
Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of
Police.

Chinese Company.

Strength.—The following have
enrolled in the Chinese Company
and are posted respectively as
under:—

Constable R.31 Kei-Shun Mark,
No. 1 Section.

Constable R.37 Chun Kwon
Chee, No. 1 Section.

Constable R.34 Wong Woon
Man, No. 2 Section.

Constable R.41 Chow Wai
Chuen, No. 2 Section.

Parades.—All ranks of the
Chinese Company will parade at
the Central Police Station at 5.30
p.m. sharp on the following dates
for Squad Drill and Rifle Exer-
cises under Sergt. R. J. Hunt:—

Thursday, 14th July. Dress—
Muff. Every member of "A"
Squad will bring his Belt.

Tuesday, 19th July. Dress—
White Uniform with Helmet. Con-
stables will wear black boots;
subordinate officers may wear
white boots. Belt, truncheon, and
arrest need not be carried. The
equipment officer will attend this
parade and will arrange for the
tailor to be present. Those who
are not in possession of uniform
will appear in Muff. No member
may be absent from this parade
without leave from his O.C.

G. B. Hartford, D.S.P. (R.),
Adjutant.

"ANOTHER OF THOSE FOOLS."

A Chinese this morning plead-
ed "guilty" before Mr. R. E.
Lindsay to a charge of theft of
25 pounds of zinc from the
Naval Dockyard. When the
Magistrate was informed that
the man had been employed at
the Dockyard for two years, he
remarked: "You are another of
those fools who would risk all
your livelihood for a small theft
like this." Accused was fined
\$15 or, in default, three weeks'
hard labour.

BACK ONCE MORE.

Before Major C. Willson this
morning, a Chinese was charged
with returning from banish-
ment. Sub-Inspector Vincent,
reading the man's record, said
that he was convicted in 1915
for keeping an opium den, and
in January this year he got ten
weeks for a similar offence. He
was banished on March 25 this
year so that he had not been
away very long. Accused's ex-
cuse was that he wanted to go
abroad and was merely passing
through the Colony. Sentence of
six months' jail was passed.

CONTRACT CLAIM.

ARCHITECT SUEED FOR \$500
DEPOSIT.

ALLEGATIONS DENIED.

A claim for \$500 by the Wing
Sang Company, building contrac-
tors, against Mr. A. R. Raven,
architect, was heard in the Sum-
mary Court this morning.

It was claimed by plaintiffs that
this money was paid as a deposit
in connection with a building con-
tract on an Inland Lot at Wong-
cheong and that, although the
scheme had fallen through and no
work had been done, the money had
not been refunded by defendant.

It was stated by the managing
partner of the plaintiff firm that an
interview took place in July 1925
at which there were conversations
between the defendant and witness
relative to the building of thirteen
European houses on the site. Wit-
ness was told that he would have
to pay \$500 before he could take
the plans away and, although he
had not the money with him on
that occasion, he paid it later on.
Witness stated he asked for a re-
ceipt and was told it was not
necessary.

No work was done under the con-
tract, and the money had not been
returned. It was claimed for the
plaintiffs that application had been
made for the money and that de-
fendant had put them off.

The defence was that no money
had been paid to Mr. Raven who
had found no record of having had
anything to do with the Inland Lot
in question. It was denied that
plaintiffs had ever been "put off"
from payment of the money. The
first time that any such claim had
been made against defendant, he
had instructed his solicitors to
write denying all knowledge of the
contract or the alleged liability.

His Honour Mr. P. Jacks found
that plaintiffs had not made out
their case and gave judgment for
defendant with costs. Mr. J. A.
Gordon Leask was for defendant
and Mr. W. D. Owen for plaintiffs.

ESCAPES BANDITS.

CAPTAIN OF "CHICHUEN"
GETS AWAY.

Shanghai, July 11.

Captain Samuel Fisher, from
San Francisco, master of the
steamer "Chichuen," who was cap-
tured by bandits while the steamer
was aground in the upper Yangtze,
escaped from the bandits and re-
flected the "Chichuen" after repair-
ing her. He safely reached Ichang
on the 9th inst. The commodore is
still in the hands of the bandits.
Reuter.

[A Reuter message dated July 1
stated: A message from Ichang
says news has reached Ichang by
junk that the American Captain S.
Fisher, master of the steamer
"Chichuen," with the Chinese com-
modore, has been captured by
pirates between Ichang and Chung-
king and held to ransom for
\$20,000. The "Chichuen" left
Ichang on June 24 and grounded
thirty miles from Ichang, the pirates
raiding her while she was out of
control.]

AN IRATE A.D.C.

CURIOUS "INCIDENTS" IN
MANILA.

Says the "Philippines Herald":
Colonel Duckworth-Ford, ap-
parently cannot bear the sight of
newspaper photographers and re-
porters. At the dinner given by
Governor Gilmore in honour of the
visiting Congressmen at the Manila
Hotel Tuesday evening, the irate
colonel lost control of himself and
pushed Jose Claudio, news photo-
grapher out of a window of the
dining room.

Last night at about 7:00 o'clock,
he sternly ordered Jose Bautista,
newspaper reporter, who was pur-
posely to Governor Gilmore's
residence in Pasay to get a state-
ment from him on the incident at
the Manila Hotel in which Colonel
Ford was involved, to get out and
stay out of the grounds of the
governor's home.

Bautista went to interview the
governor general at his home at
about 6 o'clock but there a tea
party was going on and he waited
until it broke up. He then asked
a Malacanang employee who was
there to ask the governor if he
could talk to him for one or two
minutes. Mrs. Gilmore sent word
that the governor was then dress-
ing for dinner. Bautista waited
and after thirty minutes sent a note
asking for the same privilege.
Just then Colonel Ford arrived
and saw Bautista. Upon learning
that the latter was a reporter, he
intercepted the note of Bautista
and told him to get out. Not con-
tent with this, he ordered a con-
stabulary lieutenant to see to it that
Bautista did not come back.

In connection with the Manila
Hotel incident, most of the visiting
Congressmen condemned the action
of Colonel Ford, and all Filipino
insular officials and soldiers also
denounced it.

The building society movement
and the national savings certifi-
cate movement are the major in-
fluences moulding the lives and
characters of our people.—Mr.
Neville Chamberlain.

P'RAPS—P'RAPS NOT!

"The pay of the officers is de-
plorably low. A captain re-
ceives only £140 a month."—
English paper.

Sweating!
From a list of Grand Na-
tional starters and finishers in
a Durban paper:—"1917—Ran
10; finished 11."
What "Punch" calls a head-
ache for the historian.

"Young lady (expert dancer)
requires Gent. partner for Bath-
room and Exhibition Dancing."
Advertisement in Manchester
paper.

"In pound: 1 black ox left ear
stump, branded on right leg—
looks like W.P."—Advertise-
ment.

From the description it might
be supposed that it looks like an
ox.

"I shall be much facility if my
apply will perfectly satisfaction
for you and attention about my
murmuring and kindly me to
be as one of yours."—Nati-
ve's letter.

The answer to this conun-
dum is:—"We are however in
less than forward hitherto be-
hind more."

Society Jottings: Mrs.
Spriggings-Sprout is in hos-
pital suffering from a colour
complex caused by seeing red
while dancing the Black Bottom.

Mr. and Mrs. De Broke had
intended motoring to Durban
this week-end, but at the last
moment they found they could
not keep the instalments up.

There is only one substitute
for the endearments of a sister
and that is the endearments of
some other fellow's sister.—"N.
Y. State Lion."

"Bathing alone won't keep you
clean,"

According to Doctor Frew:
So I guess I'll have to buy a tub
Made big enough for two.
—"Michigan Technic."

"He was a strong, virile young
man, yet he xhyzlumfvyym
—"Home paper.

We don't like the type that
gets upset like that.

Silk stockings worth £1,000
have been stolen from the pre-
mises of a London hosiery mer-
chant.

The thief is believed to be a
bankrupt Mormon.

"The engagement is an-
nounced between Mr. and Mrs.
J. W. Johannesburg, and Mr.
E. B. of Natal.—Natal
paper.

That wretched eternal triangle
again.

"Shake the bottle for ten or
twelve hours until the balsam is
entirely incorporated in the
water."—Home paper.

By that time probably you will
not need the balsam.

"We stand behind the cars we
sell."—Motor advertisement.

If they do that, we shall have
to keep the hood up.

The great central gateway of
Johannesburg's new railway
station is to be flanked by two
large black elephants.

As a hint to travellers, how-
ever, the animals will carry cloak-
room tickets instead of trunks.

It is a cruel thing to ask a
spiritualist to strike a happy
medium.

W. H. B. writes—"The pre-
valence of dyspepsia among the
rich seems to point to the indig-
estible quality of dough."—"Boston
Transcript."

A fine way to break your back
in the spring is to walk into the
living-room in the dark and sit
down where the davenport was
yesterday.—"Detroit News."

"Earl Haig the eminent Com-
mander-in-Chief, was there."—
London paper.

Accompanied by the prominent
local citizen, the leading mer-
chant, the well-known townsman
and other noted characters.

From a manuscript: "I was
reading the dictionary the other
day when I chanced on a refer-
ence to a fish called a Bream. It
was only a passing reference."
He should also have looked for
a reference called a reference.

"For Sale.—1925 Model Ford
Car. Recently overhauled.—Ad-
vertisement.

Come and see the Ford in
trousers!—Advertisement.

SPEEDING CHARGE.

REPULSE BAY ROAD CASE DEFENCE.

THE RIGHT OF ARREST.

Hearing was resumed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon of the case in which Chang Hsin-shun is charged with passing a moving vehicle in a control area, failing to produce his licence, resisting Inspector Grant in the execution of his duty, and reckless driving.

Another Chinese named Li Shui-piu was charged with obstructing Inspector Grant in the execution of his duty.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton defended the two accused, while the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolff (Captain Superintendent of Police) prosecuted.

Evidence for the prosecution was given by two watchmen employed at Repulse Bay who deposed to seeing Li strike Inspector Grant. In close cross-examination by Mr. Brutton, these witnesses made such confusing statements that Mr. Lindsell had to admit that their evidence did not help the case. With regard to two other guards whom the prosecution could call, his Worship said that it would be simply wasting the time of the Court to hear their evidence.

The Central Area.

In his statement for the defence, Mr. Brutton admitted that Inspector Grant's car was passed in a control area, but he contended that there was no speeding on the part of Chang who was driving the car. When Chang sounded his horn, Inspector Grant's car seemed to slow down and incline to the left of the road. This Chang looked upon as an invitation to pass. He was then doing about 15 m.p.h. Chang did not at any time speed up to 40 m.p.h.

After detailing the road between Aberdeen and Repulse Bay, Mr. Brutton said that it was impossible for anyone to drive around some of the bends on the road at 40 m.p.h. Another point which Mr. Brutton raised was that the defendants having done no wrong, they were unaware that the Inspector was chasing them. They certainly would have slowed down had they known what the Inspector was doing, as they had nothing to run away from, and certainly nothing to fear. When the defendants reached Repulse Bay they were approached by the Inspector who said "You think you are smart in passing me." Chang then had his back to the Inspector and not knowing who was speaking asked "Who are you?"

Inspector Grant then asked for Chang's driver's licence, and was immediately told it was at home.

Swear Words.

Touching on the prosecution's allegation that the defendants used swear words to the Inspector, Mr. Brutton suggested to the Magistrate that it was fair to infer and assume that the defendant had deliberately told him a dance, he would naturally be very much annoyed. No one in his senses would have used the words complained of to a police officer in uniform.

Explaining the non-production of the licence, Mr. Brutton said that it was inadvertently left at home when Chang changed his clothes prior to going out with the car. It was, in fact, in the pocket of a discarded pair of trousers.

When Inspector Grant asked Chang to go to the station with him, he replied "I will go where you want me to go, but I must drive my own car there." This was because Chang had no one to look after his car if he went in the Inspector's car as the latter insisted he should.

Then the Inspector laid hands on Chang and twisted his arm in such a position that he was absolutely at the Inspector's mercy. Then a number of batmen arrived from the bench. One of the new arrivals, a Chinese doctor, inquired from the Inspector what the trouble was about and the latter then outlined three charges against Chang, but these did not include speeding. This Mr. Brutton contended, showed that at that time it did not occur to the Inspector that the defendants were driving recklessly.

Right of Arrest.

Dealing with the right to arrest, Mr. Brutton referred to the Traffic Regulations in which it was laid down that "the Governor-in-Council may make regulations for the apprehension of persons who committed offences." Mr. Brutton argued from this that such regulations relating to the question of arrest had not yet been made, and there was absolutely nothing which empowered a constable to arrest anybody for a motor offence. If the prosecution failed to prove to the satisfaction of the Court the authority for the arrest, Mr. Brutton contended that the case must fail. If there were no authority for arrest, then there could be no question of resisting arrest.

Mr. Lindsell said that the law gave power to arrest in the following words: "It shall be lawful for any officer of police to apprehend any person who may be charged with, or whom he may reasonably suspect of being guilty of, any offence, without any warrant for that purpose, and whether he has seen such offence committed or not."

Mr. Brutton's reply was that there must be an offence before a person could be arrested, and in the present case there was no offence to warrant an arrest. A person making an arrest, he further contended, must be able to produce some Act of Parliament or not."

SOLDIER BURIED.

SEQUEL TO TAI WAN BAY TRAGEDY.

HAPPY VALLEY CEREMONY.

The funeral of Private Maurice Prince, who was drowned at Tai Wan bathing beach, took place yesterday afternoon with full military honours. There was a large following and traffic in Queen's Road was suspended as the cortege wended its way to Happy Valley. There were ten pipers, a firing party of 12, wreath bearers and a mourning party of 200, the full strength of A Company, to which the deceased belonged.

The funeral party was in charge of Capt. A. N. Lewis, of the Headquarters Wing, other officers present being Capt. S. C. Renny and Lieuts. A. H. McLaine and F. N. Y. Tegenor. Among those present, in addition to representatives of military units were Messrs. W. Greig, R. A. Ramsey, J. D. Proven, H. G. Cooper and R. J. Dickson, of the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club.

The Rev. G. F. Stopford (C.F.) conducted a service in the Cemetery Chapel and also the graveside ceremony.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—Officers Second Battalion K.O.S.B.; N.C.O.'s and Men, A. Company; Signal Section, Sergeant Mess, Headquarters Wing; Kowloon Dock Staff; Lieut. A. H. McLaine (Signal Officer).

HELPING ANIMALS.

SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES IN HONG KONG.

Local activities of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals during June are summarized as follows:—

Transport.
Poultry, crates 2555
Poultry, on trucks and lorries, loads 178
Poultry, in junks and ferries, crates 109
Poultry by rail, crates 12
Pigs in junks 667
Pigs in trucks and in baskets 1298
Pigs by rail 43
Cattle in junks 881
Cattle ashore 310
Sheep and goats ashore 9
Cages of birds 6
Dogs Taipei market 11
Cats Taipei market 1
Ponies ashore 24

Imports.
Poultry, crates 3511
Pigs 8401
Cattle 3696
Sheep and goats 650
Puppies and dogs 2
Civet cat 1
Pigs in baskets 44
Ponies 17
Monkeys 1
Cages of birds 41
Turkeys in crates 2
Turkeys 4
Guinea pigs 4
Snakes 6

Exports.
Poultry, crates 64
Pigs 114
Cattle 942
Sheep and goats 465
Ponies 39
Cages of birds 39
Visits.
Markets 75
Birdshops 20
Dogs home 46
Railway Stations 14
Landing places 62
Poultry depots 122
Dealer shops 20
Cattle depots 23
Pig pens (Mau Mau) 3

Miscellaneous.
Ignorant cruelty cases corrected 14
Markets watched times 29
Ferries watched times 46
Case investigated, on reports received 1
Dogs admitted to home during June 13
Dogs destroyed in home during June 14
Dogs sold in home during June 1

ISAKO'S CIRCUS.

GREAT ATTRACTION IN HONG KONG.

Last Saturday night Isako's circus gave at their tent on the new Reclamation Praya East, the best performance yet given in the Colony to a very large audience. There was almost a complete change of programme. Mr. Isako's little mount that could read, write and add was very good. The turn by two horses and a saw was quite clever.

Mr. Borovick also did well with his trained stallion, and the "Flying Arkos" eclipsed their previous efforts.

The clowns were in great fettle and kept all amused, while the ballet made a pleasing change. Carrier pigeons gave away prizes on all on whom one alighted. The prizes comprise five alarm clocks, two watches, one cigarette case, a bicycle and fifty dollars. The performance altogether was good and a visit is well worth while. The circus will be leaving for Singapore on July 28.

Ordinance empowering him to arrest without a warrant. After further argument, Mr. Brutton asked for an adjournment to bring up more authorities on the point. The case was adjourned until some time after this afternoon.

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MR. J. L. de S. ALVES.

YESTERDAY'S HAPPY VALLEY FUNERAL.

A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

The funeral of Mr. J. L. de Selavisa Alves, whose death early yesterday morning at Kowloon Tong, was reported yesterday, took place in the evening at the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

The Rev. Father Spada, assisted by Father Rossi, conducted the ceremony.

Among those present were Messrs. J.A.S., A.A., A.E.S., and C.M.S. Alves, sons, as Chief Mourners, with six grandsons and six nephews. G. P. Lammert, E. V. M. R. de Sousa, R. Bana, W. Logan, J. P. Braga, N. Braga, E. M. N. de Silva, Leo D'Almada, J. M. Remedios, J. M. Alves, H. Ruttonice, L. L. Lammeart, Dr. F. Kew, C. A. R. Assumpcao, Dr. J. M. Rocha, F. Rocha, F. Roza, D. P. J. Lopez, P. M. Grace, E. J. Figueiredo, C. A. da Roza, Dr. F. M. G. Ozorio, Dr. B. O. Sousa, Dr. L. Sousa, Leo, D. A. Castro, A. B. F. Silva Netto, H. Seth, M. Simoes, F. P. V. de Soares, C. M. Soares, W. Stopani, Sisters of the Italian Convent and Committee and Members of the Lusitano Club.

The flag of the Lusitano Club and the Club de Recreio were flown at half mast during the ceremony.

Wreaths were sent by Miss A. Alves (daughter); Mr. and Mrs. Alves, Grandchildren, Nephews, Shanghai Friends and all whose names are mentioned above as being present.

THAMES ON FIRE.

BACHELOR FRIENDS' SILLY JOKE.

WEDDING EVE ESCAPEE.

How the bachelor friends of Lord Kilsant's son-in-law set the Thames afire on the latter's wedding eve is being much discussed at H-nley.

Thirty arrived in motor cars at the famous Phyllis Court Club, where the bridegroom-elect was giving a party, and ordered 20 gallons of petrol in buckets from a nearby garage.

After ascending the walls with "No motor spirit from plundered Russian oilfields," they started in the direction of the river, where they threw the petrol about and set it on fire.

The flames spread alarmingly, and scorched the roses from the Cromwellian wall, and also the lawn and chestnut trees. The wall, which was considerably damaged, is of great historic value, having been built by Cromwell's Ironsides to protect the Court from the Royalists.

Four prominent Welsh business men, who were among the many who received bogus invitations to the wedding, hurried to the reception, and found that the detectives guarding the presents had been warned by telegram to beware of four suspicious characters from Cardiff.

Lord Kilsant is determined that the perpetrators shall be found and punished.

FEVER MORTALITY.

SIX DEATHS IN ONE WEEK.

Seven deaths from notifiable diseases were reported in the Colony over the week ended July 9, four from enteric fever, two from cerebro-spinal fever and one from small pox. There were three deaths from influenza.

One Chinese case of enteric fever was reported yesterday.

WORLD THEATRE.

"OUR HOSPITALITY" TO-DAY & TO-MORROW.

A detailed enumeration of all the severities faced by Buster Keaton, and his forces in making "Our Hospitality," would call to mind the ordeal of Washington and his men at Valley Forge.

Buster had a railroad train constructed, a facsimile of the first engine ever built, "The Rocket." The trip on the screen runs off smoothly enough. Film fans, however, will see nothing of the times Buster had to alight from his coach and help his staff put the engine back on the track.

"Our Hospitality" is Buster Keaton's second feature length comedy, and was directed by himself and Jack Blystone. Besides Buster and Natalie to uphold the Keaton family, Baby Buster, the comedian's year-old boy, and Joseph Keaton, Buster's father, are in the cast. Others include Joe Roberts, Kiddy Bradley, Jean Dumas, Ralph E. Bushman, Craig Ward and Jack Duffy. "Fred Gabouri" was art director. The story was written by Jean Havez, Joe Mitchell and Clyde Bruckman.

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NANKING DELUSION.

ABOLITION OF LIKIN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE.

AUTHORITATIVE VIEWS.

"The Nationalist Government have as much hope of abolishing likin on August 1 as they have of abolishing the moon," stated a person who has spent the last 20 years of his life travelling in China, in an interview with a "Shanghai Sunday Times" representative, when asked his opinion regarding the recent declaration made by the Nanking Ministry of Finance through the Kuo Min News Agency.

"There is too much vested interest at stake," he continued. "In my experience in the interior, I have found likin stations literally within 30 miles of each other. Each one supports a flock of small men, very much like fish nibbling at a chunk of bread. There are, of course, the officials in charge of the likin station, who must get their rake off, and behind them all is a big man who makes most of the money. He has probably paid a heavy sum down to the governor of the province for the privilege of collecting the likin for a set period. He makes as much out of it during that period as he can."

"It will be years before likin is really rooted out from the interior," he said. "Such a rooting out will mean ruin and loss of 'face' for many Chinese and in every district the mandate will be bitterly opposed. Local interest, unless a strong hand is taken by the central government, is likely to be in the majority of cases to prevail over the central government's command."

"While wishing all success to any party who can establish a strong and upright government in China, one is inclined to be skeptical over the chances of the Nationalist Government at Nanking being successful in abolishing this firmly rooted tax merely by a paper mandate which it appears they will find difficulty in enforcing. Paper promises resemble the 'chit system' in a way. Chits are no use until they are honoured."

"It would be as well to reserve approval of the Nationalist Government's abolition of likin until an opportunity has been given for us to see whether likin is abolished as they declare it will be on August 1."

HOSPITAL COMFORTS

DETAILS OF STORES DISTRIBUTED.

The Hospital Comforts Committee reports that stores as detailed below have been distributed to the naval and military hospitals to date:—

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Tables (cateran) 34, table covers (small) 200, tea pots 12, tea sets 7, ten trays (wooden) 3, tennis rackets 1, tennis net 1, thermos-flasks 6, thermometers 1, toast racks 4, trays (tea) 12, trays (ash) 363, torches (electric, complete) 48, tobacco 140 oz., tray cloths 28, trays (desk) 6, vases (brass) 6, vases (china) 100, wardrobes 7, work bag 1.

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FIRST V.C. OF WAR.

EATING APPLE BEFORE FIRING PARTY.

SMILING AT DEATH.

The "Stonyhurst War Record," just issued by the authorities of the well known public school, is a handsome volume commemorating a handsome record. It was an O.S. who gained the first V.C. of the war, Lieut. Maurice Dene, of the Royal Fusiliers, who on August 23, 1924, held up a German mass attack upon the Vimy Ridge with a machine gun, which he continued to fire after he had been three times hit. This act of his was recalled in the recent film "Mons" and applauded by hundreds of thousands.

Two other Stonyhurst boys won Victoria Crosses. Capt. J. A. Liddell when flying over the German lines continued his flight for 35 minutes after his right leg was shattered by bullets and made a safe landing with his observer, Capt. G. G. Coury, of the South Lancashire Regiment, rescued his colonel in full daylight, amid a storm of shell and rifle fire, in between the capture and defence of a position won from the enemy.

A striking and an unrecorded act of courage was that of Captain Chichester-Constable, who, captured early in the war, was awarded an M.C. for his gallant and repeated attempts to escape. On three separate occasions he was only recaptured at the Dutch frontier. In spite of a sentence of eighteen months' solitary confinement, he attempted to escape again. Taken once more, he was put by the Germans against a wall alongside some Russian officers. When the German firing party levelled their rifles the Russians broken down, but Chichester-Constable took an apple from his pocket and began to eat it with smiles.

The general service of the school was worthy of these special examples. 1,019 O.S. served, of whom 163 were killed, 162 died, 228 wounded, 273 honours and 292 mentions in despatches were awarded.

UNIQUE MURDER TRIAL.

A message from Cleveland states that for the first time in the annals of the Criminal Court a woman was charged with the murder of a woman and was prosecuted and defended by women lawyers. Mrs. Joseph Glazer (41) was charged with the murder of her former husband's second wife (20), a few weeks after the marriage in April. The prosecutor is Miss Evelyn Cohen, and the defending counsel is Mrs. Sarah Hedrick, a noted woman attorney.

The victim's body was found, revolver in hand, and a note was discovered stating: "Your first wife haunts me. I've ended all." A verdict of suicide was reversed when the husband narrowly escaped a bullet fired by a woman clad in man's attire, who was believed to be the prisoner.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

July 12—Queen's Theatre; "In The Name of Love."

July 12—World Theatre; "Our Hospitality."

July 12—Wibbur Players at Star Theatre, Kowloon, present "Rain," 9.15 p.m.

July 12—Tea Dance Cafe Restaurant, 4.30 p.m.

July 12—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m.

July 12—Concert at "Cheer O" 7.30 p.m.; whilst drive at "Better Ole" 7 p.m. and concert at Shamshuipo camp by J-Pans at 7 p.m.

July 13—Whist drive at "Cheer O" 7.30 p.m.; concert by the "Savonettes" at "Better Ole" 7 p.m.

July 14—Informal dance at "Cheer O" 7 p.m.; sing song at "Better Ole" 7 p.m.

July 16—Grand Concert at City Hall 6.30 p.m. for the Services.

Lammert's Auction.

July 18—Household furniture, at 719, Nathan Road (top floor), Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.

Meetings.

July 13—Extraordinary general meeting of H.K. Amusements Ltd., Queen's Theatre, noon.

July 14—St. Peter's Church Ladies Guild Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

July 13—St. Peter's Church Y.M.C.'s moonlight picnic, 8 p.m.

July 15—St. Peter's Church Y.M.C.'s whist drive, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

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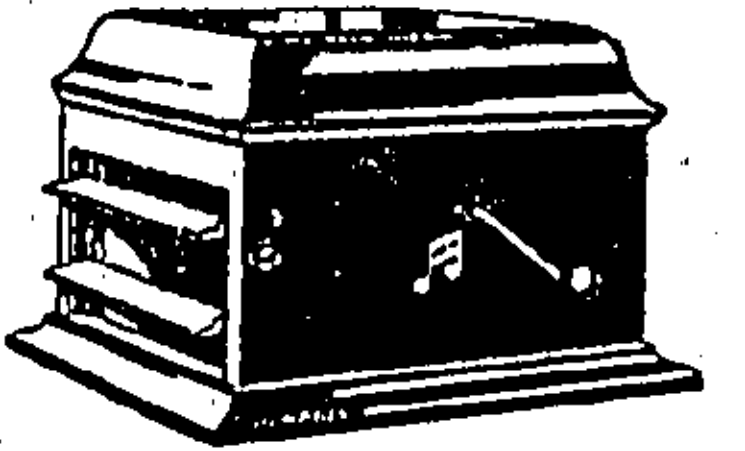
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Paris correspondent of the "Mirror" states that M. Ettore Bugatti, of racing motor design fame, is constructing a super motor boat which will shortly attempt to go from Brest to New York in 48 hours. The boat is submarine-like, 120ft. long, 2,400 horse power and with a speed of 87 miles per hour.

A London message says that the Registrar-General's review of last year shows that the male deaths were the fewest recorded in any year in the country with the exception of 1923, while the female deaths were the fewest without exception. Cancer was the great exception to the general decline in devastating diseases the deaths therefrom being the highest recorded.

Cat-burglars, taking advantage of the Ascot races week, raided a mansion overlooking the course while the wealthy guests were playing bridge after dinner, and seized 55,000 worth of jewellery. They were disturbed, and dropped, as they fled, a bag containing £2,000 worth. Guests and the house staff took up the chase through the woods, while the police stopped all motors. The thieves escaped, however.

When Stanley undertook the exploration of the Congo at the invitation of King Leopold II, he built piece by piece, a small boat 23ft. long by 6½ft. wide, for his journey along the river. It has lately been discovered that this boat is still preserved at Boma, Belgian Congo, and the Ostend colonial society has requested M. Jaspas, Prime Minister and Minister of the Colonies, to have it brought to Belgium and exhibited at Ostend. M. Jaspas has consented.

Sir Oliver Lodge, in the course of a remarkable address at Oxford, predicted that it was possible and even probable that human skill in the laboratory some day would succeed in creating an artificial protoplasm, which subjected to suitable treatment, would exhibit vitality and manifest one or other of the forms of life. There were many persons who would fear such a conclusion as conflicting with their religious ideas. But such life would not have to come into existence without antecedent life, and there was nothing in the process to which exception need be taken.

Charles Nicolas, a Frenchman, has completed 240 hours' continuous dancing, taking only three minutes' rest each hour. When he started he weighed 14st. 7lbs. During the performance, lost 1st. 8lbs.

Three British sailors aboard the squadron visiting Copenhagen thrashed a young Danish Communist for offering seditious literature printed in English to passing sailors. They then tore up the leaflets.

Otto Kemmerich, the German champion long-distance swimmer, and Fraulein Edith Jensen attempted to swim round Heligoland, whose circumference, as the result of erosion by the sun is about 3 miles. The girl succeeded in accomplishing the feat in 3 hours 47 minutes, but Kemmerich had to give up owing to cramp in the leg.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff yesterday in the Summary Court action in which \$1,000 was claimed as return of a deposit under a consideration which failed. The case concerned the hiring of a Chinese cinema at Hungnam and the receipts, which were stated to be far lower than the amount held out to plaintiff when the undertaking was entered into. Plaintiff was Ng Shun-fat and defendant, Tam Fung-shek.

Possible measures for raising something like \$300,000, which is the sum needed for building a Hospital for the Chinese at Causeway Bay, were discussed at a general meeting of the Tung Wah Hospital on Saturday afternoon. It was decided to ask permission for the organisation of a 50,000 ticket lottery, at \$10 per ticket, with sixty per cent. of the amount awarded to the winners and forty per cent. going towards the funds for the new Hospital.

An attractive programme of concerts and other social functions for the Services has been arranged by the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. this week. To-day, a concert takes place at the "Cheer O" at 7.30 p.m., a whist drive at the "Better Ole" at 7 p.m. and a concert by the "J-Pans" at the Shamshui Camp at 7 p.m. To-morrow, there is a whist drive at the "Cheer O" at 7.30 p.m. and a concert by the "Squeakettes" at the "Better Ole" at 7 p.m. On Thursday an informal dance takes place at the "Cheer O" at 7 p.m. and a Sing Song at the "Better Ole" at 7 p.m. On Friday, another concert has been arranged for 7 p.m. at the "Cheer O" and on Saturday a Grand Concert takes place at 6.30 p.m. at the City Hall.

Frank Hutchinson, a Chicago locomotive engineer who worked for 40 years without being involved in an accident, decided to take a holiday away from all railways. He therefore set out on a motor trip, but his car stalled on a railway track in front of a train, and he and his wife were killed.

It is not generally realised that a noisy office makes a slow typist. A test was carried out recently by Dr. Donald Laird, Colgate University, U.S.A. Miss Keller, an expert typist, typed letters while a noisy machine was in full blast within a few feet of her. In a quiet room, she made 528 strokes to the minute and while the din went on dropped to 448. A curious point was that she lost twice as much weight in two hours of noise as in the same period of quiet. Is noise to be the dernier cri in weight reduction?

A London "Evening Standard" diarist says:—"The design of the stamp issued by the Commonwealth Government to celebrate the opening of Canberra, has at last been published. It has hitherto been kept a close secret from reproduction. I have seen it, and it might have been as well if they kept it a secret for ever. It represents a somewhat corpulent Australia apparently attempting, with what I have been informed is a branch of wattle, to brush away a disconcerting vision of a large department store. Official art during the last few years has risen a little from its nadir, but not very much."

A woman asked a grower at the Chelsea Flower Show if he knew where she could get musk with a scent (says a London "Evening News" writer). He shook his head. "I wish you could tell me," he said. "Musk seems to have lost its scent completely." "Well," said the inquirer, "I've only just discovered it. My brother, who is home from Australia, told me that he had heard that musk had lost its scent, and I volunteered to get him some with a scent from my garden. I found it had none! Why is it?" "No one knows," said the grower. "Experts have been trying to find out. I know a spot where musk grows far from any motor traffic, but it has no scent either."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Neal McNeill, M.S.P., F.R.A.S., F.R.G.S., etc., who was organiser and leader of the first exploratory expedition after the war under the auspices of the British Science Expedition, which passed through Torres Straits en route to New Guinea in 1923, is visiting Malaya.

Discussing "Blackmail by Civil Process," a writer in "Truth" declares that "a certain prominent man some years ago paid £30,000 to avoid being cited as a co-respondent in the Divorce Court." There was a somewhat similar case of a wealthy German merchant in Penang about fifteen years ago, remarks a Straits paper.

Lady Guthrie, widow of the Hon. Lord Guthrie who was a Senator of the College of Justice from 1907, till his death in 1920, he passed away at her Edinburgh residence, Lady Guthrie, who was in her 82nd year, was Anne Jemima, daughter of the late Rev. James Chalmers Burns, D.D., of the Free Church Manse, Kirkcaldy. She did a lot of good public service in Edinburgh and district.

In taking up the post of Governor of the Gold Coast Sir Alexander Ramsford Slater is returning to a country which he knows well, for before he became Governor of Sierra Leone he was at Accra as Colonial Secretary, and frequently filled the post of Acting Governor when Sir Frederick Guggisberg was up country or on leave. Sir Ramsford is a strong and able administrator, whose gifts were called into requisition last year at Sierra Leone when a railway strike in the colony disorganised traffic for a time, and peaceful picketing by the guileless natives took the form of putting high explosives among the coal. When the trouble was over he came to England on leave, and reached Liverpool just as the General Strike was declared.

Although the Arcos papers apparently afforded no clue on the subject, there is a strong report current to the effect that the notorious Trebitsch Lincoln is in China, says a Glasgow paper. Certainly he is the type of individual who will be found wherever trouble is being made especially if there is a financial side to it. Apart from this consideration, Lincoln knows China fairly well, being there during the 1921 revolution when he was something of a power behind the scenes.

Dr. Charles Macpherson, the famous organist of St. Paul's whose association with the Cathedral covered the whole of his life, became ill and died in a London Street—it is believed from heart failure. Dr. Macpherson, who was born in Edinburgh in 1870, went to St. Paul's as a chorister of nine, and was educated in the choir school. He studied at the Royal Academy of Music, and had written a great deal of church music. Dr. Macpherson is survived by his wife and one son.

Deaths announced at Home recently include the following:—The Earl of Idlesleigh, novelist and formerly member of the Inland Revenue Board; at Fynes, near Exeter, aged 81. Mr. Richard H. Hughes, the Welsh poet, "Treborah," at Festiniog, Merioneth, aged 77; The Rev. Richard Henry Dickson, rector of Eastchurch, Sheppey Isle, Kent, aged 83; Major the Hon. Walter Lewis Bagot, general manager of the Victoria Falls and Transvaal Power Company, Ltd.; and chairman of the Rand Mines Power Supply Company, Ltd., heir presumptive of Lord Bagot; served on the staff of the G.O.C., 4th Army Corps, in France, 1914-15; a director in the Ministry of Munitions, 1915-16; at Johannesburg, aged 63; and Dr. J. Burnett Smith, husband of "Annie S. Swan," the story-writer, former mayor of Hertford, where he practised as a medical doctor until going to Fife, aged 70.

A distinguished visitor, the Hon. Mr. Manuel Quezon, Senate President of Manila, and party of prominent Filipino ladies and gentlemen who are passing through on the "Empress of Asia" on a visit to China, were the guests of Mr. Ko Leung-hoe of the Ho Hong Bank, Ltd. at lunch yesterday at the Hong Kong Hotel. A number of local Chinese gentlemen were invited to meet the visitors, including the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. R. H. Kotewall, Dr. S. W. Tso, Drs. Arthur Woo, S. N. Chau, Messrs. Simon Tse Yan, Li Chor-chi and Y. P. Lo. Mr. Quezon, who is accompanied on his trip by Mr. Y. T. Oei of the Manila Chinese Chamber of Commerce, expects to meet General Chiang Kai-shek at Nanking.

The death has occurred at Teviotbank, Hawick, of Lieut.-Col. W. Heron Maxwell, second son of Mr. Maxwell, of Teviotbank. Gazetted to the 7th Royal Fusiliers in 1872, he served in the Zulu War and was mentioned in despatches. He also served in the Boer War in Barron's Mounted Infantry. Retiring in 1886, he joined the South East of Scotland Artillery Militia, of which he became an honorary major. In his youth a well-known athlete, he was afterwards a keen member of the Buccleuch Hunt. He took a warm interest in Hawick ex-soldiers. He is survived by a wife and four daughters.

Until his recent appointment to the somewhat exacting position of a Junior Whip and a member of the Government, Mr. F. G. Penny, the Member for Kingston-on-Thames, seldom got a moment's opportunity of taking part in any debate affecting the welfare of the East. His office precludes him from entering into the debates or putting questions in the House; but it must not be inferred that Mr. Penny has ceased, therefore, to take an active interest in all questions appertaining to the Straits Settlements and China. Indeed, although his voice may not be raised in the House itself, he continues, says a home paper, to keep closely in touch with all such questions.

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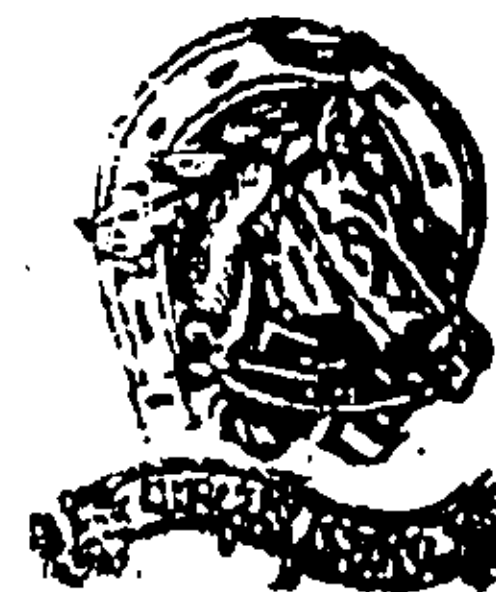
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BRITISH OPEN GOLF.

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E. WHITCOMBE NEXT.

St. Andrews, July 11. The leader in the first round of the 36 holes qualifying competition for the Open Golf Championship.



Walter Hagen.

ship is Collis, - of Fourquex, France, with a score of 71. Others who qualified were Ernest Whitcombe (72), Melhorn (America) Tolley, Aubrey Boomer (73), Charles Whitcombe, Barnes (America) (74), Kirkwood (75),



J. Hutchinson.

Bobby Jones (America) (76), Duncan (80), Havers (81) and Wethered (82).—Reuter.

In Previous Years.

The British open championship was last played at St. Andrews in 1921, when "Jock" Hutchinson won the title with a score of 296. Previous to that J. Braid was the winner of the championship on this historic



Jim Barnes.

course. This was in 1910, when he returned a card of 299, a total never beaten until 1912, when Ernest Ray, at Muirfield, took the title with a score of 295, last year, at St. Anne's, R. T. (Bobby) Jones, of America, eclipses this performance.



Cyril Tolley.

ance with an aggregate of 291. The 1925 championship was played at Prestwick and won by Jim Barnes (300); in 1924 Walter Hagen won at Hoylake (301); in 1923 A. Havers was first at Troon with 296, and in 1922 Hagen obtained his first



E. Whitcombe.

British open championship at Sandwich with a score of 300. George Duncan was champion in 1920, scoring 303 on the Deal course. There were no championship games between 1915-1919.

SURREY GOLF.

MAJOR THORBURN WINS IN FINAL.

London, June 18. At Wentworth, in the Surrey Amateur Golf Final, Major Thorburn beat Sir E. Holderness, one up.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

SOUTH AFRICA EASILY DEFEATED.

Eastbourne, July 11.

In the remaining singles of the Davis Cup competition Lacoste beat Condon 7-5, 6-3, 6-1. Brugnon beat Spence 6-2, 6-3, 6-4. France won all five matches.—Reuter.

HOME TENNIS.

CAMBRIDGE DEFEATS OXFORD.

London, June 4.

In the Inter-Varsity Lawn Tennis Tournament, Cambridge beat Oxford by 13 matches to 8.

The following are some of the results.

Cambridge Victories.

Austin and Powell beat Cooper and Fletcher 6-3, 6-3.

Austin and Powell beat Olmsted and Dericourt 6-3, 6-4.

Farquharson and Horne beat Campbell Rodger and Lingelbach 6-4, 6-4.

Powell beat Cooper, 6-4, 6-3.

Austin beat Dericourt, 6-1, 6-3.

Farquharson beat Olmsted, 7-5, 6-3.

Farquharson and Horne beat Fletcher and Cooper, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.

Austin and Powell beat Campbell Rodger and Lingelbach, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Oxford Victories.

Campbell Rodger and Lingelbach beat Young and Wheatcroft, 6-8, 6-1, 6-4.

Cooper and Fletcher beat Young and Wheatcroft, 7-5, 6-8, 6-4.

David beat Young, 6-3, 6-1.

Lingelbach beat Jameson, 6-3, 12-10.

Fletcher beat Callander, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

Olmsted and Dericourt beat Young and Wheatcroft, 6-4, 6-2.

Cambridge won by 13 to 8.

EX-CANADIAN COLONEL WINS SINGLES.

London, June 18.

At Queen's Club, London, the Singles Title was won by the ex-Canadian Colonel, Mayes, who beat both the competing Japanese, Harada and Ohta, retained the title, and defeated the Indian Army player, Major Evans, 6-3, 6-3.

In the Doubles Final Harada and Ohta beat Brame Hillyard and Wallis Myers, 6-2, 6-2.

At Queen's Club, in the London Championship's Ladies' Doubles Final, Mrs. Peacock and Miss Helne (South Africa), gave a fine all-round exhibition in defeating Mrs. Covell and Miss Sterry, 6-3, 6-3.

AUSTRALIANS SELECTED FOR ENGLAND.

Sydney, July 1.

"The Sun" announces the names of the 28 players chosen to go to England for a series of rugby union games.

There does not seem to be any doubt that "Johnny" Wallace will be the captain of the team, and Charlie Fox vice-captain.

The players selected are:—

Full-Back: A. W. Ross (University).

Three-Quarters: B. Palmer (Glebe-Balmain), A. C. Wallace (Glebe-Balmain), B. Egan (Eastern Suburbs), E. Ford (Glebe-Balmain), C. Towers (Randwick), S. C. King (Western Suburbs), A. J. A. Bowers (Randwick), G. C. Gordon (Y.M.C.A.).

Five-Eighths: T. S. Lawton (Western Suburbs), W. B. J. Sheehan (University).

Utility Back: W. Meagher (Randwick).

Half-Backs: J. L. Duncan (Randwick), S. Malcolm (Newcastle).

Forwards: K. Tarleton (Y.M.C.A.), J. G. Blackwood (Eastern Suburbs), M. Blair (Western Suburbs), J. Tancred (Glebe-Balmain), H. Woods (Y.M.C.A.), C. L. Fox (North Sydney), A. N. Finlay (University), B. Judd (Randwick), G. P. Storey (Western Suburbs), J. Ford (Glebe-Balmain), E. J. Thorn (Manly), J. W. Breckenridge (Glebe-Balmain), A. Tancred (Glebe-Balmain), E. N. Greator (Y.M.C.A.).

Manager: Mr. E. G. Shaw.

BISLEY MEETING.

MALAYA WINS JUNIOR KOLAPORE CUP.

Bisley, July 11.

The Junior Kolapore Cup was won by Malaya with a score of 645. Rhodesia obtained 648.—Reuter.

AN ENGLISH TEAM.

JACK RUSSELL MAKES SELECTION.

MEN FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

There is a problem for the English Cricket selectors this season which is inclined to be under-rated; that is the choosing of a team to go to South Africa. I am afraid there is a tendency in Britain to think that anybody can beat the South Africans, but, from my experience in that country, such an idea is altogether wrong and totally unfair to the men who play there.

South African cricket, in South Africa, is an altogether different proposition to when they send a team here; the conditions of playing out there are changed because they play on matting wickets and the outfielders are of sand and gravel, and, under the conditions, the Africans are difficult men to beat. It does not matter who goes on the tour next winter, they are not going to have an easy trip.

We are told that this trip is to act as a sort of trial run for Australia. A good idea, but, at the same time, the mistake must not be made of sending an experimental team without a foundation of solidly. To send too weak a team, weak in experience of big games might mean a series of big Match defeats and the confidence of those men who are on trial might be impaired.

Now the fact that games in Africa are played upon matting, whilst those in Australia are played upon turf, is a factor that should not be forgotten. Many players have failed in Africa who have succeeded in Australia. Take the example of left-hand spin bowlers; they have never done really well out in Africa, and the same applies to the bowler who relies upon swing. To swing, a ball needs that it must be new and have some shine upon it and with the bad outfields it is not long before the ball loses its newness.

Matting Wickets.

Further, I am not so sure about the straight forward fast bowler. It always seems to me that fast men are easily played in Africa, and so you see that in three types of bowling it would not be too safe to base an opinion upon what happens in Africa as a criterion for Australia.

The matting wickets are perfect in this respect. Any spin that the bowler gets upon the ball will be truly helped by the wicket; a spin merchant can make the spin and turn but this, it should be remembered, is not like bowling upon a sticky wicket. On a sticky wicket the ball will pop, kick or turn and a batsman can never be sure what will happen; in Africa it is always the same, the batsman can be sure and the man who can "mix them up a bit" is the man to succeed.

Then who should go to South Africa with the English team?

Let it be a young side, by all means, but, before giving my opinion as to who go, I want to say that I might have met Lawwood, because it is possible that he would suffer from the fact that his fast bowling would so often rise well, above stump high and the batsmen would have time to get out of the way. It would be labour wasted for him.

Firstly, we must consider a captain. Now it is usual to take four players to South Africa, seven amateurs and seven professionals, and presume, this will be done this year, though where to find seven amateurs who are really good enough for Test Match cricket or who will play on to that class are not easy to find.

I would exclude the purely big-hitter; this type does not succeed in Africa and I am looking for men who can get fifty or a hundred with safety and awareness in time of stress and who can bowl a bit.

My Captain.

G. O. Allen and H. Enthoven, of Middlesex would be included in my side. They are both good, sound batsmen and can both handle a bit. Allen would supply my need for a fast man while Enthoven would make an ideal all-rounder and, perhaps, a deputy captain. Then I should take R.E.S. Wyatt, of Warwickshire.

Now for the professionals. I am certain that here we have plenty of men who are good enough and who, on this season's form, seem certain to become Test players.

Firstly, must get our sprinkling of seasoned players and I don't think that Sutcliffe, Sandham and Tate can be improved upon. Then there is Hammond, the young Gloucestershire player. If there were a Test Match next week, he would have to be included.

We have already got the first-wicket pair in Sutcliffe and Sandham, but I would also include Hallows of Lancashire. I have a sincere regard for Hallows and like him as an opening batsman as well as anybody in the country. You can always rely upon this player. He never takes a risk until the ball has become really big to his sight, and he is just the man to take the edge off the bowling and allow the others to put in the finishing blow.

The Wicket-keepers.

In my list of youngsters will be many surprises. I will start away by picking my wicket-keepers. Lilley, of Nottingham, and Ames, of Kent, would be my men. Everybody knows that Lilley has for some time been in the running for playing for England, but I think Ames's first year in County cricket—never

mind, he is good behind the stumps and can make runs with the best of them. Then he can also take a place in the field if wanted and can bowl a bit and take wickets. Could you have a better man for a tour?

Shepherd, of Surrey, is not a youngster, but he would be in my team for he is a great all-rounder and would, I am sure, but well in Africa, to say nothing of his bowling. O'Connor, (Essex), Watson (Lancashire), Worthington (Derbyshire) and George Geary (Leicester) would complete my list.

Geary and Watson are fairly well-known, but the others, well, only those who have seen them play can realise how promising they are. O'Connor, of my own county, is certain to play for England and the tour in Africa is a grand chance to get him acclimatised to the strain of Test Match.

What of Worthington? A new-comer even to Derbyshire and I am talking about his playing for England! Well, look at what he has done already. Low down in the Derbyshire batting list he has made nineties and seventies and his bowling is great. Derbyshire are doing well this year, and this great chap, he weighs something like thirteen stone, is playing no mean part in the revival. Anyway, he would go in my team.

To a certain extent the team is experimental; that was my intention; but I rather think that it would hold its own, and most of these players by the time the Australian tour comes round, will surprise Australia.

THE FIRST 1,000.

RECORD BREAKING AMONGST BATSMEN.

Record-breaking amongst batsmen is often a matter to deplore nowadays; the perfect wicket tempts cricketers to covet runs for their own heavy and dull sake, and as they are piled up the spirit of the game languishes, says "The Manchester Guardian." But Hammond, being one of the most chivalrous of our batsmen, may freely be applauded on his performance of scoring a thousand runs in May and equaling, on that night, the achievement of W. G. Grace. In scoring his aggregate it is certain that Hammond has not caused a single yawn to come over any spectator's face; his thousand runs must have given more than a thousand thrills of delight to lovers of brave, skilful, imaginative cricket. Hammond's performance cannot, of course, be compared with "W. G.'s" if Grace were playing today, where is the bowler who would ever get him out?

"W. G." at his finest seldom if ever had the privilege of batting on a pitch as smooth as a billiard-table; on the occasion at Lord's, indeed, the crowd rose as a single man and cheered because Grace had stopped four successive "shooters".

Moreover, "W. G." may be said to have invented the very driving technique of which Hammond is perhaps the finest master now extant. It is hardly an exaggeration to say that Grace invented modern batsmanship. Grace's record was bound to be broken sooner or later, so excellent are our pitches and so persistently do we now play our county cricket day by day.

And it is almost certain that "W. G." would himself have chosen Hammond to do the breaking; he would have wished a Gloucestershire player the joy of it. Hammond is one of the few modern batsmen who rarely allow the ball to hit the bat passively.

Here "W. G." would express vast approval. For once he was asked, by some ardent theorist of cricket, what was the most scientific way of playing an off-break. And Grace replied, "Why, you must put your bat hard to the ball most vigorously; may he go his knightly ways with more and more triumph."

DEMPSEY'S FOE.

WHAT TUNNEY THINKS OF SHARKEY.

New York, July 4.

Sit down with Gene Tunney, Eddie Egan, of Yale; Tunney's pal, Billy Gibson, Tex Rickard and a group of expert writers in Rickard's office in the Garden and listen to the champion and promoter fan.

Gene, Gibson and Tex emerge from Rickard's private office, where Rickard tells the scribes he and Tunney have "just been discussing the heavyweight situation."

"What do you think of Sharkey?" Tunney is asked. "Do you think he can whip Dempsey?"

"Well, I see by the papers," answers the champion, "that Dempsey declares Sharkey can knock me out, so, by all the rules of the game, I should return the compliment. But I'll refrain from saying anything like that."

Dempsey's Superior.

"I don't believe I ever have been a better heavyweight than Jack Sharkey. In sporting parlance he is Billy, courage, a punch. He combines all the more important essentials to a rare deceiver. As an all round fighter, he vastly is Dempsey's superior. Dempsey only has it on him in the weight of his punch, that's all."

"I can't conceive a harder opponent to fight than Sharkey. If you stand off he's mighty likely to outbox you. He's a master defensive fighter with his weaving, bobbing, shifting, ducking, blocking, side-stepping and slipping."

At this juncture, apparently forgetful of Tunney, Rickard interrupted with: "Sharkey is the greatest fighter I have seen!"

"I don't say that Sharkey will be champion this year, but you can bet he'll be champion two or three years from now."—"United Press."

C. S. GREGORY.

CELEBRATES HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY.

AUSTRALIAN MEMORIES

Mr. Charles Smith Gregory has entered his 81st year. As far back as 1871 he was one of three brothers to represent New South Wales against Victoria in the famous single-wicket match played on the old Albert Ground, which in those days, down to the late 'seventies, occupied a position in Elizabeth-street, Redfern, immediately opposite the present Redfern Park.

The first intercolonial contest at single wicket was between W. Caffyn, C. Lawrence, and Nat Thompson, for New South Wales, and Sam Cosstick, Tom Wills, and John Conway for Victoria, and victory rested with the Victorians.

Caffyn and Lawrence were members of the All-England Eleven that visited Australia in 1875, which was the first to voyage to these colonies, and which was captained by H. H. Stephenson. Lawrence was induced to stay in New South Wales. Caffyn returned to England, and two years later was one of George Paris All England Eleven, and he, like Lawrence, remained in New South Wales, and the two became professionals to the Sydney clubs. Nat Thompson, the third member of the New South Wales trio, belonged to the Albert Club.

A Great Victory.

It was a great victory for Victoria to win against a team which included two who had been amongst the best English professionals, and it was thought that in view thereof a second team would have a poor chance against the Victorians. A return match was, however, arranged, and the selection of the New South Wales side was left in the hands of F. P. Miller, who had been captain of Surrey County Eleven, and who was on an extended visit to the colony. His first choice was Edward and David Gregory and Hewitt. Mr. Miller was present at the intercolonial match in Melbourne, and there he saw that Charles S. Gregory was a remarkable fielder, and he substituted the youngest of the Gregorians then appearing in first-class cricket, for Hewitt. And that was how the New South Wales team came to consist of brothers.

The result of the contest was a victory for New South Wales by five runs. The Albert Ground was the scene, play commenced each afternoon at 2 o'clock, the match ran into the third day, and it was witnessed by thousands of people.

A peculiar incident happened during the match. When D. Gregory took up the bowling he was no-balled five times to his first five deliveries by Nat Thompson, who was one of the umpires. Supporters of the home side were filled with consternation at the possible loss of their best bowler. The umpire, however, called once too often. The bowler held on to the ball, the ruse succeeded, and a great demonstration against the official followed. The result was that a new umpire went out. Strange to say, he was Caffyn, a second man of the trio who had shortly before been defeated. The All England player allowed David's bowling as above suspicion. The three brothers appeared together on occasions for New South Wales and Victoria. In one of the matches on the Melbourne ground, Charles, in gathering a ball, collided with the fence and broke a bone in one of his hands. He is the only one of all engaged in single wicket matches now living.

All Sportsmen.

Mr. C. S. Gregory's three sons have distinguished themselves at cricket, football, and athletics. There are Warwick, J. M., and Alban (Doon). The first-mentioned represented New South Wales and also Middlesex County at football, and was also a fine athlete. J. M. is the Australian cricketer, and was also an athlete, and Alban scored 105 for Sydney and Melbourne Grammar School. He was cox of the Grammar eight the first time success attended the Sydneys, and he was presented with the rudder and the lines, which naturally he prizes very much.

In "Widener's" Cricketers' Almanac," in the list of births, Mr. C. S. Gregory's date is stated to be August 5. Everyone in the family was under the impression that this date was correct, and the error was not discovered until Mr. Gregory was about to retire from the Federal service. The production of the birth certificate disclosed the fact that he was born on June 5, 1847, at Wollongong. His first appointment was as a teacher at Scone. After a while he entered the Audit Office, and was subsequently appointed accountant to the General Post-office. When the latter department was transferred to the Federal service Mr. Gregory was appointed, on the recommendation of the late J. W. Israel, Federal Auditor-General, to visit all the Australian States and introduce a uniform system of accounts.

Also a Singer.

Besides having been a cricketer of "first-class" standard, he was a singer of no mean order. In conjunction with the late "Dad" Halliwell, P. O'Halloran, and Hinchley, he formed one of a famous quartet. And in another direction it is worthy of mention that for over fifty years Mr. Gregory has been one of the auditors for the Civil Service Co-operative Stores, and this notwithstanding the fact that each year he has had to be elected to the position.

ENGLISH COURT.

SEEN THROUGH EASTERN EYES.

SURPRISE AT GRANDEUR.

Having seen the spectacular functions of many sunlit countries, I expected little grandeur when summoned to attend an English Court. But I was soon disillusioned. Permission was granted to me to wear my native costume, and as I approached the outer gates of the Holyrood Palace in Edinburgh, mounted guards examined my pass, and a red liveried attendant with a considerable important air escorted me to the cloakroom.

Thus writes Sirdar Ikbal Ali Shah in a Home paper.

Within a few more minutes, I was seated in a large waiting-hall with perhaps 300 other people. My dress must have been interesting, for I saw quite a number of lorgnettes dropped as I turned my face somewhat unexpectedly. In the central gangway gentlemen of rank, with much gold and red moved about in style; their grancing was ultimately controlled by an eagle-eyed Scottish chieftain in kilt, the glory of his ancestors seemed still to cling to him.

On the stroke of three, the band playing God Save the King, we jumped to our feet, and holding our cards in our hands, moved slowly in a single file through long corridors lined by Scottish Archers to the Throne Room.

I was not alone in feeling the impressiveness of those mysteries of presentation; for step by step as we moved on, I saw a young lady fan herself vigorously, her cheeks all aglow; while her companion worried his moustache with his left hand and patted the fair lady's hand with his right. "It's all right, my dear; it's all right," I heard him repeat, in the hushed silence of the occasion. In the excitement his monocle dropped and smashed in a thousand pieces.

The King!

Then I saw the Emperor of the British Empire, standing on a dais in naval uniform and shake hands with the gentleman before me. I tarried at the door behind the crossed swords of Highland clansmen, and as they lifted up their swords, with my first step into the hall, a gentleman, taking my card, handed it to another on his left till it passed to one standing near his Majesty.

By this time I was before the King. When my name was read aloud I bowed with Oriental correctness and flourish that now lingers only in history, and, shaking hands with the King, I moved a few steps to the right, where stood her Majesty, who, together with Princess Mary, also shook hands with me. After this I arranged myself in the centre of the hall amongst others and watched the proceedings with rapt interest. It appeared to me to be full of that dignity and tradition of which the English Crown is justifiably proud. It was colourful yet not showy.

Unconventional Garden Party.

Next day's Garden Party was particularly charming on account of its unconventionality. I had the honour of conversing with both the King and the Queen, and was struck by the remarkable knowledge that his Majesty showed even about such a remote corner of old Asia as Afghanistan. His frequent smiles, lighting up his homely face, made me feel quite at ease.

There was a complete absence of that trembling of limbs and a sinking of heart that I have experienced when before Eastern potentates. Even the young lady who was scared to fainting behind me the previous day was radiant. But soon the brilliant May sun disappeared, breeze changed to laden east wind; it poured and the expensive dresses of those ladies under the torrential rain—

It made me sad, for what is pageantry after all without sunshine?

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

An astonishing trial in Paris has ended with a sentence of ten years' imprisonment, with hard labour, imposed on Madame d'Archandise for having attempted to murder her husband, a wealthy farmer.

Pale and haggard, and supported on crutches, the husband came into court. He narrated that his wife, a beautiful woman of 30, fell in love with his brother and tried to poison him. Small doses of arsenic, in his morning coffee gradually reduced him to the state of a decrepit old man, though he was only 35 and was a strong youth when he served in the war.

The wife, in confessing the attempt, said that her husband did not understand the art of keeping a woman's love. She consulted a fortune-teller, who advised her to poison her husband. She obtained arsenic on the pretext of treating the farm horses.

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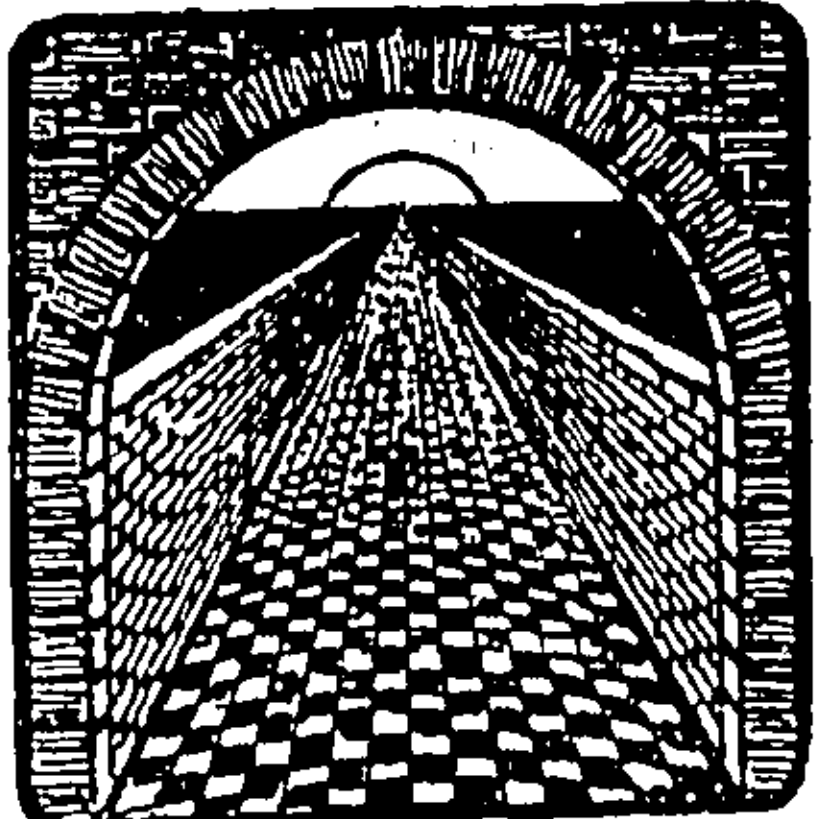
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RADIO TOPICS

WIRELESS TO B'KOK.

PROPOSAL TO LINK UP WITH SINGAPORE.

SIAMESE PRINCE'S MISSION.

Singapore, June 26.
His Royal Highness Prince Purachatra, who with Princess Purachatra and their daughter, Princess Mayurachtra, are paying a visit to Australia, arrived in Singapore yesterday by the Kistna.

The party was met on board by the Governor's Deputy (the Hon. Mr. E. C. H. Wolff), Private Secretary (Mr. H. J. Eley), the Consul-General for Siam (His Excellency Phya Pradadadha Bhual) and vice-consul (Phra Sri Sayam Kitch) and disembarked on board the Kittiwake, H.E. the Governor's launch.

An invitation was extended to the visitors to stay with the Governor's Deputy, but as they would be here for two nights only, Prince Purachatra preferred to go to the Europe Hotel, where they later in the day had a visit from the Governor's Deputy.

Last night the party were the guests of His Excellency the Consul-General for Siam and this evening they will be the guests of the Governor's Deputy.

Wireless Possibilities.

His Royal Highness had a mission to fulfil in his stop at Singapore. Prince Purachatra, who is the head of the Siamese State Railways and the Minister of Commerce and Communications, is a wireless enthusiast. The wireless station at Bangkok is claimed to be the most powerful east of Suez (including the Dutch Indies station and the station at Tokyo) and during the stop at Singapore His Royal Highness had hoped to consult the Government with a view to linking up the Malayan and Siamese wireless system, for commercial purposes, for use, among other things, when the land line is out of order.

One of His Royal Highness's plans is said to be to connect with Australia, via Singapore, for the receipt of European news.

Owing to the absence of H.E. the Governor, it would manifestly not have been possible for any satisfactory stage to be reached in the proposal, and it is stated that Prince Purachatra will resume the conversation during his stop at Singapore on his return from Australia.

Visit to Wireless.

His Royal Highness's programme in Singapore included a visit this morning to the wireless station here.

Prince Purachatra and suite leave for Australia to-morrow morning by the "Marella." His Royal Highness is an old acquaintance of the present Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies, and will be his guest during the vessel's stop at Batavia.

From Batavia Prince Purachatra proceeds to Bandoeng with a view to conferring with the head of the Java railway service. From Bandoeng His Royal Highness will motor to Soerabaya, where he will catch the "Marella."

The tour of Australasia which is more or less a health trip, will include New Zealand, where His Royal Highness will be the guest of the Governor-General.

STATIONS FOR PORTUGAL.

A further extension of wireless telegraph facilities was opened with the inauguration of services between Lisbon and the Portuguese Colonies of Cape Verde, Anzobé and Mozambique. The opening of these services completes the network of wireless communication which Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company Ltd. undertook to construct for the Portuguese Marconi Company in accordance with the concession obtained from the Portuguese Government in November, 1922. Direct wireless communication is now established between Lisbon and all the principal Portuguese colonies, and by means of the services now established Portugal is able to communicate with wireless with practically every part of the world. The English group of wireless stations with which the Portuguese stations at Lisbon communicate are the Marconi stations at Ogar and Brentwood, in Essex.

LATEST INVENTION.

WEATHER CHARTS BY WIRELESS.

CHEAP AND SIMPLE.

Towards the end of the world war, Professional Max Diekmann, the director of the radio experimental station at Grafelfing-by-Munich, made experiments in transmitting messages from aeroplanes to radio stations. On the basis of the experience thus obtained, he worked out a method by which, experimentally, portions of the weather chart have, for some time, been transmitted by the Munich sender.

Any listener-in can get these charts by merely attaching a radio photographic set to his ordinary receiver. This apparatus is so cheap and simple that anyone can afford it.

The process of transmission is briefly as follows: At the wireless station, the outline drawings of the chart to be transmitted are sketched upon warmed metallic foil with a grease crayon. These drawings thus constitute electrically insulated lines. The metallic foil is next attached around a revolving cylinder. A metal point is so adjusted as to produce, as it were, a closely arranged curve from end to end of the cylinder. Wherever this metallic point meets one of the insulated grease lines, the electric current is interrupted, the interruptions naturally corresponding to the outline drawings of the weather chart. Both the interruptions and the closures of the current are sent to the wireless transmitter in such a way that the latter emits effective, positive waves whenever the metal point reaches an insulated spot on the foil. That is to say, inversion is effected.

A Simple Process.

The photographic receiver also consists of a cylinder, which must revolve synchronously with that of the sender—a matter which can be easily arranged. Around this cylinder are placed a layer of drawing-paper and a layer of carbon paper. An electric-magnetically heated needle presses upon the carbon paper whenever an electric wave arrives, and thus reproduces the chart upon the drawing-paper.

The process is obviously a simple one. Nevertheless, it is of great significance inasmuch as it constitutes the absolutely first case of pictorial transmission effected by wireless. But more than this: it means also a considerable increase in the security of ocean navigation, in whose service it has quite recently been used with great success. The tests were made between the Norddeich Wireless Station on the North Sea coast and the steamship Westphalia of the Hamburg-American Line on the occasion of its voyage from Hamburg to New York at the end of last April.

Over 2,000 Miles.

Weather charts of the Hamburg Meteorological Station were radioed to the steamer daily by means of Professor Diekmann's method; these were received with excellent results up to a distance of 4,000 kilometres; which is all the more remarkable since the sender used had a power of only 5 kilowatts and, ultimately, the hours at disposal were the most unsuitable for broadcasting.

The facilities and the security afforded to navigation by Professor Diekmann's invention are quite obvious; for it is a very different matter whether meteorological news is received verbally or graphically; the latter gives a clear ocular view of the general state of the weather; and it is for this reason that the shipping world, the overseas voyager and the general public will undoubtedly welcome with enthusiasm the possibilities opened up by this new broadcasting process.

WHERE WIRELESS FAILS.

In announcing at the annual meeting, in Manchester, of the Halle Concerts Society that a number of concerts next season would be broadcast, Sir Hamilton Harty, the conductor, said that, while it would be foolish to underrate the value of wireless, anyone who was able to hear music performed in the usual way and was nevertheless content to form impressions

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N.Z. AND BEAM SYSTEM.

Not having extensive financial resources for elaborate and costly experiments, New Zealand has maintained a waiting attitude in regard to wireless, though the technical experts of the Post and Telegraph Department are well in touch with what is going forward.

The latest developments in beam wireless offer a fascinating prospect for the future, and it is the opinion of a well-informed authority connected with the Postal Department that wireless broadcasting may improve so rapidly that relaying of English programmes may soon become a real factor. Then the average man who so far has not troubled to "listen in" to local programmes will install a wireless receiving set to participate in the broadcasting services of international importance available.

1,000 Words of News.

New Zealand is profiting daily from the broadcasting programme of the British official station at Rugby. Three times a day this station sends out a news bulletin which is picked up efficiently by the Awarua station near Invercargill. These messages sometimes run to a thousand words, and what is of New Zealand interest is distributed to the Dominion Press. The difficulties experienced by Awarua in picking up this daily bulletin have been comparatively slight.

Will beam wireless prove a competitor to the cable service? There is no complaint of slowness of communication with Britain, the present volume of messages being far from equal to the capacity of the cables; but where wireless may make an inroad is in cheap working and consequent reduction of rates.

New Zealand representatives on the standing committee on Imperial wireless services—appointed to advise on matters arising out of the conduct of the Imperial wireless service between Great Britain and Canada, Australia and South Africa—are Sir James Parr (High Commissioner) and Mr. John Milward, late manager in the Pacific for the Pacific Cable Board.

LIFTING A FLY.

It has been estimated that the total energy collected by the average wireless aerial over a period of 40 years is only just sufficient to lift a fly one inch.

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Another instance of the tremendous economy of energy that is a feature of wireless has been supplied to us by a wireless experimenter using Mullard P.M. Valves who with only the equivalent energy of an ordinary flash lamp battery established two-way communication with a fellow experimenter.

The actual energy consumed amounted to less than one-thousandth of a watt per mile.

ESPERANTO ON WIRELESS.

Vienna, June 1.

On June 5 the Seventh Austrian Esperanto Conference will be held here. The Education Ministry has opened a number of Esperanto courses free of charge at the elementary schools, lycées, and commercial academies.

An exhibition has been opened showing the progress of Esperanto, by broadcasting and other means. While in 1922 it was sent out only by two radio stations, in 1924 seventeen countries did so, and this year thirty-one have used it. The Australian Broadcasting Company intends to open a new Esperanto course for beginners, and to send the most interesting news abroad in Esperanto once a week.

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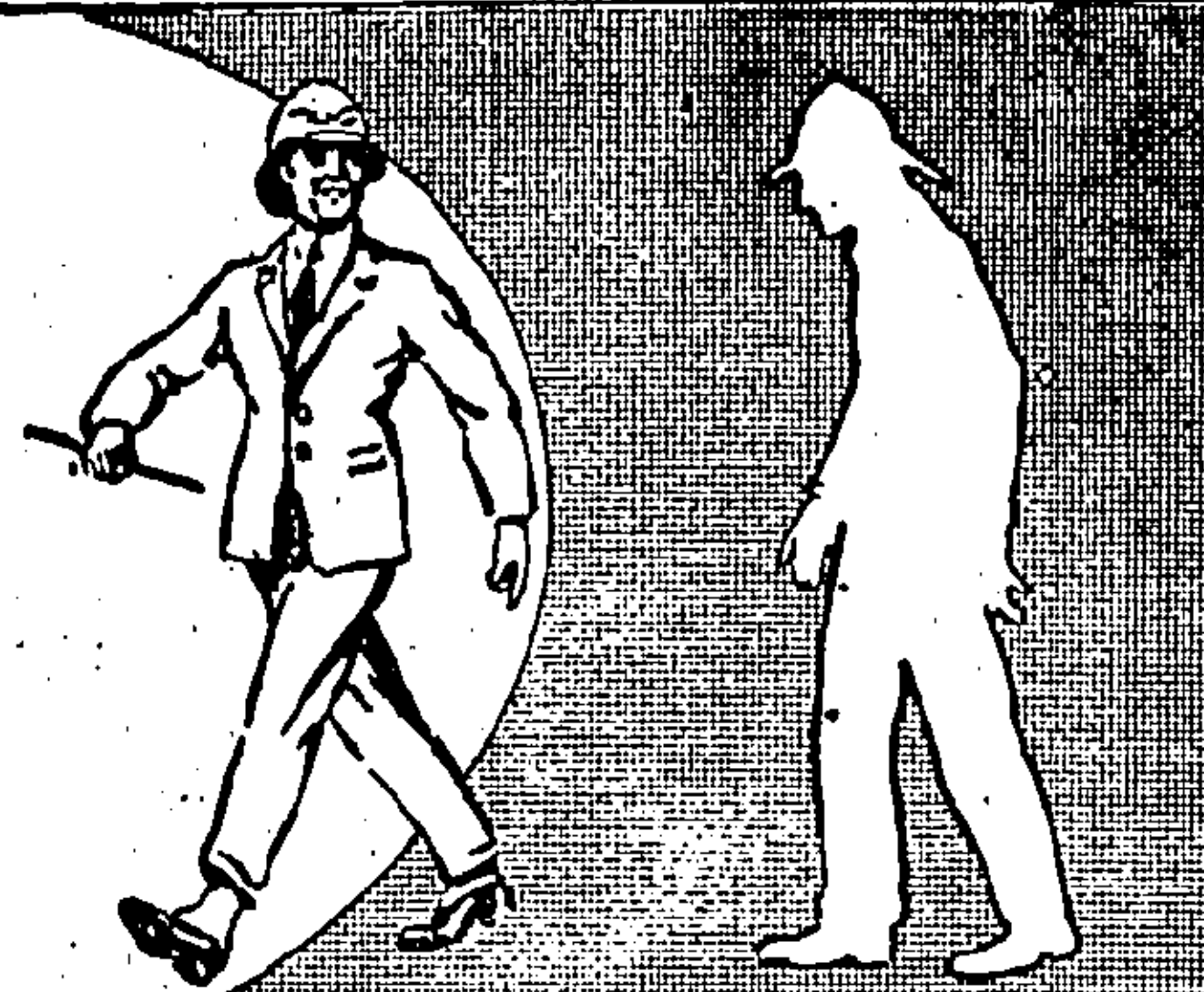
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Four days' sale of books, auto-graph letters, historical documents, early maps and atlases, at Messrs. Sotheby's, resulted in a total of £12,374.

Following the two days' sale of the late Sir Edward Marshall Hall's art treasures his collection of old English silver plate will be sold at Messrs. Christie's.

After a five days' hearing at the Old Bailey, Aaron Koransky, aged 29, fur cutter, and Hyman Koransky, aged 40, furrier, were found not guilty of alleged long firm frauds and were discharged.

When a train from Eastbourne arrived at Polegate, Sussex, a carriage door was found to be open, and the mutilated body of Dorothy Pickrell, 26, of Eastbourne, was discovered on the line.

When a vote on State ownership of minerals was taken at a special delegate conference of the Miners' Federation in London 380,000 voted in favour of compensation, and 400,000 against.

A donor who wishes to remain anonymous for the present has given £5,000 to St. Peter's Hospital, Covent Garden, W.C., on the sole condition that other subscribers double the amount in the next month.

Sir Richard Tetley Glazebrook, a former director of the National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, has been appointed member of the Advisory Council to the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

Only a few friends were present at the Marylebone register office when the Earl of Lathom, author of "Wet Paint" and other plays, was married to Mrs. Marie Xenia Morison, of 25, Elvaston-place, Queen's Gate, S.W.

The Rev. Gilbert Watling, vicar of St. John's, Edmonton, who went to prison because he could not pay his rates, was released later the amount due for rates—£23—being, it was stated, paid by a "High Church dignitary."

Following injuries received in an accident while on holiday in Ross-shire, Mr. John Arthur Sutton (79), died in Inverness Northern Infirmary. Mr. Sutton belonged to an ancient Norfolk family, and was a relative of Lord Kitchener.

One of London's best known headmasters, Mr. J. W. Samuel, of Southwark L.C.C. Central School, is retiring after forty-four years' work in the teaching profession. In 1920 he was president of the London Teachers' Association.

"SKYSCRAPER DISEASE."

That London will never be infected with the disease of high buildings was the hope expressed in a paper by Mr. Thomas Hastings, the American architect, read before the Royal Institute of British Architects. The rapid changes which have occurred in New York City, and to a lesser degree in other large cities in the United States, it was remarked, are not likely to afflict conservative London. High buildings have completely revolutionised the city of New York, with consequent demoralisation to circulation and inter-communication by way of the city streets, underground tunnels, and overhead elevated roads all of which at the present time are taxed far beyond their normal capacity; and it is becoming increasingly evident, that unless something is done to limit the height of buildings and ensure the growth of the city horizontally rather than vertically, the traffic conditions will become hopelessly involved.

"THROUGH NEEDLE'S EYE."

The custom of beating the bounds was carried out in mail week. The beaters passed through the yard of the old Roebuck Hotel, now a Woolworth store, and at Lincoln College a small door known as "Needle's Eye" was specially opened for their benefit. A number of undergraduates passed through as well, for by so doing they can claim the privilege of being members of St. Michael's Parish, and also a free meal of bread, cheese, and spring onions, with a tankard of special ale, which is steeped with ground ivy overnight. Later choir boys scrambled for pennies in Lincoln Quadrangle.

A case of rat-bite fever has occurred in the Fivemiletown (County Tyrone) district.

The death is announced from Paris of M. Polin, formerly a noted singer and later a popular music-hall comedian.

A proposal that poor persons should be allowed free tramcar travel was defeated at a meeting of the Manchester Board of Guardians.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Lloyd George, and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald are to broadcast in support of the National Playing Fields Appeal.

Despite efforts at rescue, a steward named Hopkins, who fell overboard from the Ostend mail steamer "Princess Elizabeth," was drowned.

Jackdaws in the tower of St. Mary's Church, Melton Mowbray, perch on the hands of the clock, and very literally cause the time to fly.

Twenty cadets of Scarborough Sea Training School have gone on a cruise in their schooner, the "Maise Graham," and will be away for about a month.

Coventry Guardians were hoaxed by their chairman, Dr. Burke. He extolled the merits of a pony given to the institution, and when members went to see it they found a rocking horse.

It is officially stated that the Marconi Company have completed preliminary tests with South Africa with the beam wireless stations which they are erecting for the General Post Office.

Hunt "caps" for Earl Haig's British Legion Appeal Fund have contributed during the 1926-27 season the sum of £3,107, 13s. 10d. (Scottish Hunts, £377, 13s.). The total for 1925-26 was £2,005, 8s.

That motorists should give 5s. to hospitals each time they renew their licences is a Tees-side suggestion to be considered owing to the many motorists receiving free treatment after accidents.

The Minister of Pensions has appointed Mr. W. W. Mustard, of 21 Rosend Crescent, Burnt-island Fifehire, to be a member of the Fifehire War Pensions Committee in place of Mr. Samuel Wright, resigned.

Thos. Murphy (74), who was arrested after a hue-and-cry at the Bath and West Show was sent to prison for four weeks at Bath on a charge of attempting pickpocketing. He had been nearly 30 years in jail.

Four men were drowned through the capsizing of a boat on the River Boyne at Drogheda. Six men were taking a pleasure trip at the time, and only two succeeded in getting ashore. The river was nearly at full tide.

"EXCUSE ME, MADAM."

At Bow Street Police-court, before Mr. Graham Campbell, Albert Stamford Street, Waterloo, was charged with stealing a diamond necklace and pendant, value £100, the property of Miss Jane St. George De Renzy, of Lechlade, Hants. Miss De Renzy stated that after leaving a Westend theatre, she had taken her seat in a taxi, and a gentleman friend was about to follow her into the cab, when the off-side door was suddenly opened. The prisoner got on the running board and, saying, "Excuse me, madam," put his hand towards her throat and snatched the necklace, which broke. He then slammed the door and ran away. Witness jumped out of the cab, shouting "Stop thief," and several people went in pursuit of the man, who was shortly afterwards brought back by a policeman with the broken necklace in his possession. Upon this evidence Lethbridge was remanded in custody.

Exercise before breakfast is physiologically unsound; there is no best exercise for everybody at all ages in all circumstances.—Dr. Adolphe Abrahams.

POLAR CAKE
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THAT COUNTS

The death has occurred of Mr. John Stanley Metcalfe, of Teignmouth, first secretary of the North of England Protecting and Indemnity Association.

Mr. M. A. P. Johnston, Town Clerk, Hampstead, was re-elected president at the Bournemouth conference of the National Union of Local Government officials.

Mrs. Clemington Corson, who has already swam the English Channel from the French side, arrived at Dover to train for her proposed swim to France. She said she was very fit.

Thousands of holiday-makers at Ramsgate witnessed the opening by the Mayor of "Pleasureland," a new amusement centre built on the old derelict Harbour Station site.

King Alfonso unveiled at Sagunto, near Valencia, a monument to Peace—an allegorical commemoration of the restoration in Spain of the reigning House of Bourbon.

"The Man Responsible," a play which was to have been produced at the "Q" Theatre but for which the Lord Chamberlain withheld his licence, has now been approved for public performance.

Mr. Plunket Greene, adjudicating at Hull Musical Festival, advised women vocalists not to imitate men. "Men don't try to imitate you," he said. "Why should you try to imitate us? It is only the Oxford-bags fellow who tries to imitate women."

The Rumanian Government has submitted to Parliament a Bill for the minting of over half-a-million gold coins commemorative of the coronation of King Ferdinand and Queen Marie. The coins are to be minted in London.

When the King and Queen attended the gala performance of the International Horse Show at Olympia they saw the jumping round the course for the King George V. Gold Trophy, in which the officers of at least seven nations competed.

Mr. J. A. Quinan, librarian of the Chelsea Library, in a report, states that there has been a revival of the cross-word puzzle craze, so much so that he has had to lock up for protection some of the valuable dictionaries for which the library is noted.

A talking-film of Sir Douglas Hogg, the Attorney-General, shown explaining the Trade Disputes Bill, was exhibited at the Constitutional Club, Northumberland-avenue, W.C., before being sent to various centres throughout the country.

Two films produced in Australia have recently been brought to Britain. One is "A Mystery of a Hansom-cab," from the story by Fergus Hume, the other "The Sealed Room," from an original story by Mr. Arthur Shirley, who made both films.

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Europe via Negapatnam (letters and papers)	16	Santhia.
London 16th June	17	
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 1st August and Europe via Siberia. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	12	President Grant.
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Swatow	13	Emp. of Asia.
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Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	5 p.m.	Hosang
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Java via Batavia	9.30 a.m.	Manila Maru
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	11.30 a.m.	Tikembang
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 26th July. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (15th) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	5 p.m.	Yuen Sang
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 15th August. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	16	Hakozaki Maru.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Noon	Hai Hong
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	9 a.m.	Hozan Maru

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GIRL'S LICENCE.

Discharge for Chinese Youth.

NO FALSE PRETENCES.

When the hearing was resumed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning of the case in which a Chinese youth was charged with obtaining \$20 from a Chinese girl by false pretences, promising to obtain for her a licence from the S.C.A., Mr. Leung of the Secretariat who was referred to by the accused said that the latter's younger brother was his godson. He did not know anything about the accused.

After the girl had given evidence to the effect that she met the accused on the Macao boat and he suggested to her if she gave him \$20 to entertain the S.C.A. people he would try to obtain the licence for her, the Magistrate decided that he could not convict.

"Entertaining S.C.A." His Worship said: "There is no false pretences in this case. What the accused said to the girl was 'If you give me this money I will entertain the S.C.A. people and make it easy for you to obtain your licence.' He did not claim that he was in a position to obtain the licence for her."

In discharging the accused, Mr. Lindsell said that the girl's case against the accused was rather a civil instead of a criminal action. She could sue him for the return of the money.

Mr. D. McCallum, who said that he had just been instructed for the defence, told the Magistrate that he was prepared to guarantee that the money would be refunded to the girl.

The Magistrate instructed the police to accompany the girl to Messrs. D'Almada and Mason's office and collect her money.

ABUSIVE WORDS.

INCIDENT OUTSIDE PAWN SHOP.

Sergt. Fitches this morning charged a Chinese with using abusive language towards him. At 8 o'clock last night while on his rounds examining pledges, the Sergeant visited the Yue On Pawnshop, No. 52 Queen's Road Central. The usual Chinese crowd quickly gathered and caused an obstruction outside the shop on the pathway. The witness waved his stick to get the crowd to move on. All went away with the exception of the accused who stood there in an insolent manner. When the Sergeant asked the accused if he had anything to pawn, the latter said in perfect English "What's the matter with you?" The witness had to force the accused to move, whereupon the latter used very abusive language towards him. When a Chinese detective went to arrest the accused, he abused the detective in Chinese. The accused said that although he was struck by the Sergeant for nothing, he did not abuse him. He was unable to speak a word of English, although he understood everything that was said to him.

Telling the accused that he was convinced he was telling lies, Major Wilson convicted and imposed a fine of \$20.

FIRST IN 12 YEARS.

MOTOR CAR DRIVER'S TWO OFFENCES.

The driver of motor car No. 222 was summoned by Sergt. Clark for speeding and failing to produce his driver's licence. He admitted both charges. The Sergeant said the offence was committed in Des Voeux Road West. The witness did 40 m.p.h. on his motor cycle and failed to overtake the accused, who originally had a start of about 220 yards which was eventually increased to 500 yards when the witness gave up the chase. The accused who had held a driver's licence for 12 years had not previously been convicted for an offence of this nature, so the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$15. For failing to produce his licence, accused was fined a further \$5.

FATAL FALL.

A Chinese ship's painter was yesterday killed when he fell into the hold of the s.s. "Sochow." The body was removed to the Kowloon mortuary.

CHINA NEWS.

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THE CIVIL WAR.

Feng Yu-hsiang Across Yellow River.

Peking, July 11.

It is admitted in Hankow that Gen. Feng Yu-hsiang's troops have crossed the Yellow River, but it is said they have no intention of marching in the direction of Hankow itself. Unusual activity has been observed amongst the Communist factions in Hankow.

Contradictory.

Peking, July 11.

A message has been received here to the effect that the Shantung army has recaptured Lam-shing, the Nationalists having retreated to Hsuechow.

From Nanking, however, comes reports of a generally quiet front, and messages to the effect that there is no activity along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Chang's New Divisions.

Peking, July 11.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin, having provided the necessary funds, the training of the new 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th divisions is proceeding apace. New ammunition has been furnished, and the troops should be ready to take the field at the end of autumn. "Fong Kong Evening Post."

EARLIER NEWS.

Japanese Reinforcements For Tsingtao.

Tokyo, July 11.

A company of railway and telegraph troops for Tsingtao from Tokyo is arriving on the 15th inst. The Government has stated that no further reinforcements are planned for the present. "Reuter."

ATTACKS ON HOSPITALS.

Chinese Province With Only One Left.

Information supplied by British doctors in China of destructive assaults on hospitals and medical colleges is published in the "British Medical Journal." Dr. J. L. Maxwell states that while the Northern troops have been often justly accused of looting, he knows of no damage having been done by retreating armies, all the outrages being attributable to Southern troops or their civilian sympathisers.

From nearly all areas, Dr. Maxwell says, come reports of unprovoked outrages on the foreign and loyal Chinese staffs; the foreign doctor in peril of death or pleading with howling mobs for leave to continue the hospital activities; looting and destruction of property; confiscation and robbery under arms; and the infliction of needless misery on thousands of suffering patients.

In Canton last year the Labour party cut off supplies of food, light, and heat, so that seriously ill patients had to be turned out into the streets. The hospital is still closed and falling to pieces. In most of the recent attacks on hospitals the staffs have not been allowed to remove their personal belongings, the Chinese authorities claiming that the hospitals and all their contents belong to the local governments.

Every hospital in the province of Hunan has been closed, with one small exception.

In Hankow the position is better, and the two large British hospitals are continuing to function. One American and two British hospitals have been looted in Chinkiang, probably by Southern troops and their sympathisers.

BOYCOTT WEAPON.

MEXICO FOLLOWS CHINA'S EXAMPLE.

Mexico City, July 11.

The Mexican Foreign Office has issued a circular to Mexican Consuls abroad instructing them to report the names of foreign firms dealing with enemies of the Calles Government. The information is sought in order to place an embargo on the properties of the guilty firms in Mexico and boycott them. "Reuters' American Service."

NO CHANGE.

C.N. CO. OFFICERS STILL OUT.

THE SHIPS AFFECTED.

There has been no change in the last twenty-four hours in the deadlock between the China Navigation Company and the officers who have left their ships.

Laid-Up Ships.

The full list of laid-up ships whose whereabouts were known last week-end is as follows:—At Shanghai:—Shengking, Chusan, Vuchang, Tientsin, Chungking, Wenchow, Kian, Suishan, Siangtan, Kiating, Wanhsien, Foochow, Suiting, Kangting, Kintang, Chingkiang, Shansi, Foyang, Whangpu, Wantung, Wanliu, Changsha, Chengtu, Hanyang, Linan, Hsin Peking, Woosung, Nanchang, Ninghai, Ngankin, Shantung, Sinkiang, Tungchow, Taming, Shashi. Expected: Tatung and Tungting.

At Hong Kong:—Kalgan, Szechuen, Pashan, Suiyang, Anhui, Changchow, Soochow, Yingchow, Tean, Kuangchow, Ichang, Chinghua, Kweichow, Kuangchow.

At Canton:—Chenan.

At Swatow:—Nanning, Newchwang, Kanchow, Hupeh, Kuangse, Kueiyang.

At Amoy:—Ningpo, Kukiang, Liangchow.

At Tientsin:—Shuntien, Hui-chow, Fengtien.

At Newchwang:—Luchow, Chekiang.

At Ningpo:—Yunnan.

At Tsingtao:—Sunning.

MOTOR LORRY'S SPEEDING.

The driver of Sanitary Board

dust lorry No. 844 was summoned this morning for speeding. He admitted the charge and said that he did so because he had two more loads to carry. According to Sergt. Baker the accused was going at 25 m.p.h. in Queen's Road Central going between Queen's Street and Gough Street steps. It was pouring rain at the time and the road was very greasy at the time. If it became necessary for the accused to apply his brakes he would have skidded very badly. A fine of \$20 was imposed.

KOWLOON MOTOR MISHAP.

Mr. H. W. Hendrikson of the Orient Tobacco Co., Nathan Road has reported to the police that while driving his motor car in Prince Edward Road yesterday afternoon, he knocked down an Indian guard who had neglected to move although the horn had been repeatedly sounded. The Indian suffered slight abrasions to the hands and legs and refused to go to hospital.

THEFT FROM SHIP'S CABIN.

Mr. R. Parman, a musician of the s.s. "President Grant" reports the theft from his cabin while the ship was lying alongside Kowloon wharf of \$130 in notes.

LONDON UNIVERSITY SITE.

London, July 24. The University of London has purchased a site in Bloomsbury of 1 1/2 acres for University buildings, from the Duke of Bedford, for £525,000. The site was originally bought by Government for a University site, but was sold back to the Duke in April, 1926.

A Chinese was yesterday afternoon taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a scalp wound caused by a piece of cement falling on his head from the second floor verandah of No. 85, Jervois Street.

For travelling at a speed of 27 m.p.h. in Des Voeux Road between Centre Street and the Macao wharf at night, the driver of motor car No. 389 was fined \$20 this morning. Another night speeder was the driver of motor cycle No. 814 who travelled at a speed of 38 m.p.h. in Des Voeux Road West between Wilmer and Whitty Streets. He was fined \$15.

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